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NATIONALISTS SHELL RED CHUSAN BASES

Action taken to forestall Communist invasion

HOPES PINNED ON CAF

Taipei, January 15.

The Chinese Nationalist Navy today reported that its warships shelled three Communist islands near the Shanghai blockade base of Chusan.

Nationalist air blockade predicted

Taipei, January 14. The Chinese Nationalists today officially announced the "closure" of Kunming, Chengtu, and Nanning as international airports.

These three towns were the only international airports recognized as such after the loss of Shanghai and other major airports.

Observers here believed that the announcement might mean the beginning of an all blockade with foreign planes liable to Nationalist interception if they fly over the Chinese mainland.—Reuter.

New balance of power if Socialists win

London, January 14. Parliamentary quarters today predicted a new balance of power in the Socialist Government if it wins the February 23 general election with Left wing influence in the ascendancy.

It is widely accepted that a Socialist victory would mean almost the automatic advancement of the Health Minister, Mr. Aneurin Bevan, Party Left-wing leader, to prime minister status and a much longer job than his present one.

The dynamic Welshman is considered by observers to have become too big a figure in the Socialist Party to be excluded from an authoritative place in Cabinet councils. The predominantly Right wing Cabinet's "Big Four" is likely to become the "mixed Big Five" with an unpredictable consequences for future Socialist policy.

Socialists at their internal conference elected Mr. Bevan to the Executive Committee by the largest vote given to any candidate.

The hand will be seen in the Socialist election manifesto to be issued early next week. The manifesto is based on the "second five-year plan" containing probably more nationalization proposals than any previous Labour Cabinet five-year plan and fewer than Mr. Bevan would like.

There is a considerable body of thought which considers that Mr. Bevan would be forced to the front more rapidly by a Socialist defeat next month than by a Socialist victory. Some Opposition members think that such a defeat would be followed by a Party split on policy from which the Left-wingers would emerge on top—and either have their will or break away from the old order.—Reuter.



At 0500 GMT (2 a.m. HKST) the depression in the East of Honkai involving ENB very rapidly and moderate anti-cyclone is approaching Japan from the West. Easterly gales prevail over the Philippines and Western Pacific.

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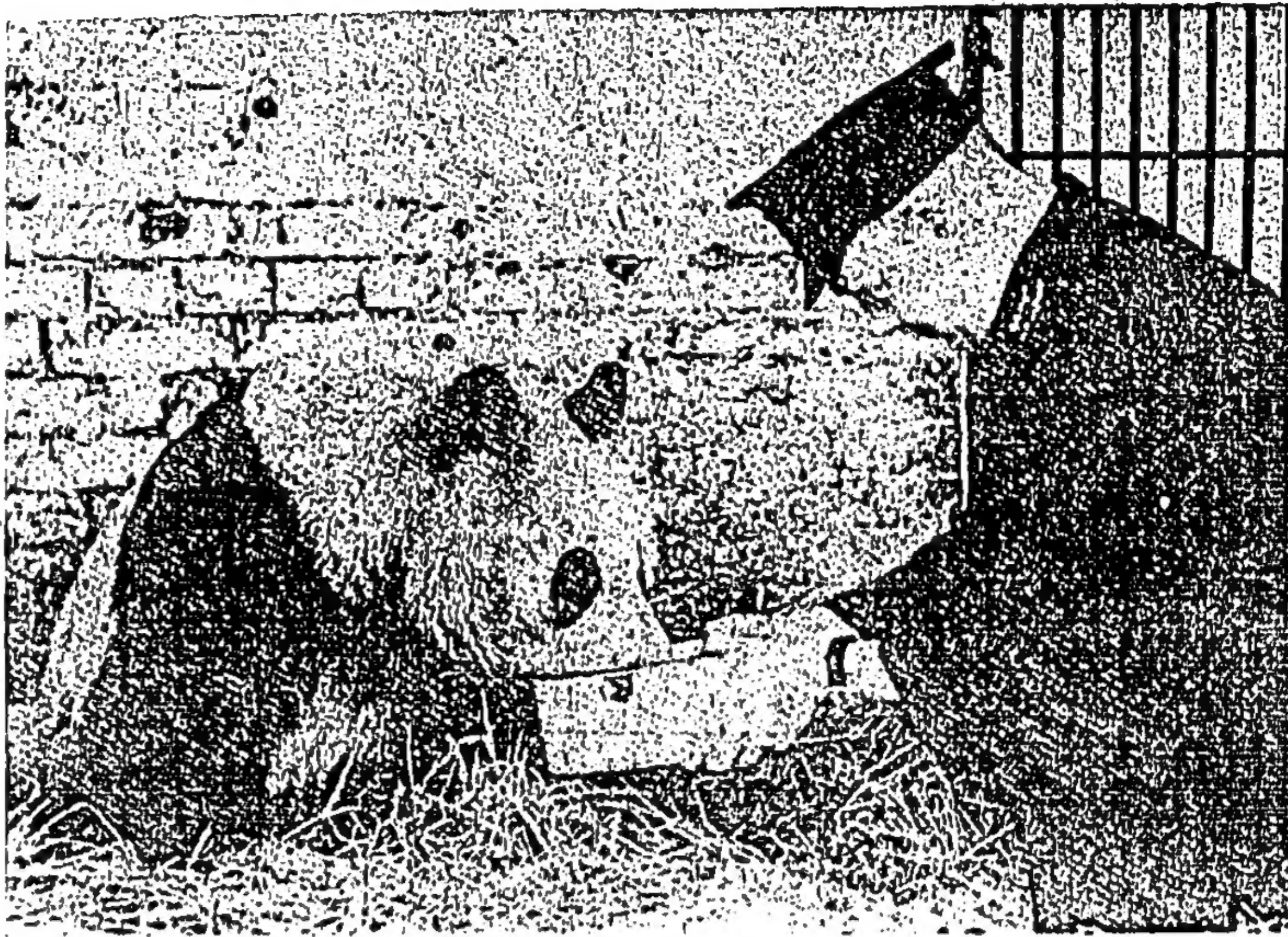
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Lien Ho, the London Zoo's Giant Panda, favourite of thousands of visiting children, makes his first appearance before the camera since its recent independence. Photo shows Lien Ho taking medicine at Regent's Park Zoo.—(AP Photo).

Mao reported facing difficulties in Moscow parleys

Mr. Mao Tse-tung's protracted stay in Moscow is a result of his inability to agree to certain clauses in the proposed revised Sino-Soviet Treaty of Friendship, according to vernacular Press reports yesterday.

Quoting official quarters at Taipei, capital of the Kuomintang stronghold, Taiwan Island, the independent "Wah Kiu Yat Po" said that Mao in his capacity as Chairman of the People's Central Government is having a difficult time in the Soviet capital.

The newspaper indicated that Mao is in a blue funk, unable to agree or disagree with Marshal Stalin's proposals which would place China under the control of the Soviet if accepted.

The relevant clauses in the proposed treaty which the newspaper credited to Kuomintang intelligence are:

1. Soviet Russia shall have exclusive rights to exploit all mineral resources in China.
2. Other mineral resources shall be jointly exploited by Soviet Russia and China.
3. Soviet Russia shall have exclusive rights to operate all railways, highways, airlines and internal river communications in North East China. Such communications elsewhere in China shall be jointly operated by Soviet Russia and China.
4. China's Secret Police shall undergo the same training as that of the Soviet Secret Police.
5. A Soviet military adviser shall be attached to every regiment in China's armed forces.
6. Soviet shipping shall have free access to all Chinese ports from Dairen in the North to Canton in the South.

Observers in Hong Kong described the report as conjecture, some of which might be correct.

They added that leakage of the Mao-Stalin talks is practically impossible at Moscow. The only leakage would be possible at Peking. They also pointed to absence in the reports of any mention of any reciprocal treatment.

Mr. Mao Tse-tung, Chairman of the Chinese Communist Government, is staying in Moscow for several weeks to work out problems concerning the existing Sino-Soviet pact, Russian credits for China, and trade, Reuter reports from Moscow.

The presence in the Chinese delegation of Professor Chen Tampo, distinguished philosopher, economist and author, has led to the belief that cultural questions will also be discussed.

RIOTS IN ERITREA

Asmara, January 15. Eritrean youths rioted last night in Asmara and Decemare, killing an Italian woman, injuring a four-year-old child and six adults. The rioting broke out simultaneously in the two towns, which are 25 miles apart.—Reuter.

Dr. Jessup arrives in Taipei

Taipei, January 15. The United States roving Ambassador, Dr. Philip Jessup, arrived here today by air to get a first hand picture of the China situation.

Less than an hour after Dr. Jessup's arrival the Chinese Nationalist Prime Minister, Yen Hsi-shan, told Dr. Jessup he hoped the Ambassador would remain in America for a while, but that the Nationalists were fighting a last ditch battle against Chinese Communism and Russian Bolshevism.

Dr. Jessup declined to comment on the Chinese Communist seizure of the United States Consulate at Peking. He said "I really cannot say anything I have not been brought up to date."

Calls on Yen

The Ambassador made a courtesy call on Premier Yen who said he hoped Dr. Jessup would let Americans know of "our determination, our hardships and our wishes." Dr. Jessup with Mr. Robert Strong, United States Ambassador, conferred with the Premier for nearly an hour.

KMT accused of recruiting Germans

Berlin, January 15. The Chinese Military Mission yesterday denied an East Berlin Communist newspaper report accusing members of recruiting Germans for military duty in East Asia.

"Neues Deutschland," the Red organ, charged the Chinese with helping to get soldiers for service as an auxiliary corps in Viet Nam and East Asia. Colonel Su Meow Hsi, Chief of Mission, said the story was baseless and was maliciously invented.

"Should such articles appear in the East German press in the future, the Chinese Mission will consider it superfluous to comment upon them," he added. Associated Press.

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ss. BROOKLYN HEIGHTS SAILS FOR NORTH

Crammed with cargo, the Isbrandtsen freighter, Brooklyn Heights, sailed for Shanghai at 7 p.m. yesterday.

Although the ship was cleared for Shanghai, it was uncertain whether she would risk an encounter with Nationalist gunboats guarding the approaches to Shanghai.

She might proceed to Tainan, the North China port, where her sister ship, the Flying Arrow, is now anchored, after having been escorted there by United States Navy destroyers after shelling by Nationalist gunboats last Monday.

The 8,000-ton Brooklyn Heights carried a US\$8,000,000 cargo of industrial chemicals, low-grade petroleum, cotton and newspaper. Insurance rates on the Brooklyn Heights increased 200 per cent against hull damage and 60 per cent against cargo damage over the Flying Arrow's rates.

The increase was caused by last Monday's attack on the Flying Arrow by two Nationalist warships at the estuary of the Yangtze River.

Another Isbrandtsen ship, the ss. Flying Independent, is due to leave for Shanghai early in February.

No late reports were available on the British freighter, the ss. Elsie Miller, which was reported at the mouth of the Yangtze River on Saturday, waiting an opportunity to enter Shanghai.

Flying Arrow

Meanwhile the Flying Arrow was anchored yesterday in the calm waters of Tainan Harbor, awaiting high tide and instructions from the owners to dock and discharge cargo, reports A. P. Correspondent Wayne Richardson, who is on board.

The crew and passengers of the American freighter, shelled on Monday by a Nationalist gunboat when it attempted to reach Shanghai, were in good spirits.

They were waiting a chance to get ashore. Everyone is busy filling out duty declarations.

This may be the last dispatch from Mr. Richardson until the ship repairs shell damage and leaves Tainan about a week hence. The ship reached the Communist port Friday.

GUERRILLAS CUT RAILWAY IN IC

Hanoi, January 14. An official communiqué issued here today announced that Vietnamese (Annamite) nationalist guerrillas had again "sabotaged" the Hanoi-Haiphong railway halfway between the two towns.

It also reported a Vietnamese attack on a French convoy on the coast North of Haiphong. Two French soldiers were killed and two jeeps destroyed before it was repelled.

Joe Koox, former chairman of the Cambodian National Assembly, was killed on Saturday when a hand-grenade was thrown at Democratic Party headquarters in Phnom Penh, capital of Cambodia, adds United Press. Koox was the Democratic Party leader in Cambodia.—Reuter and Associated Press.

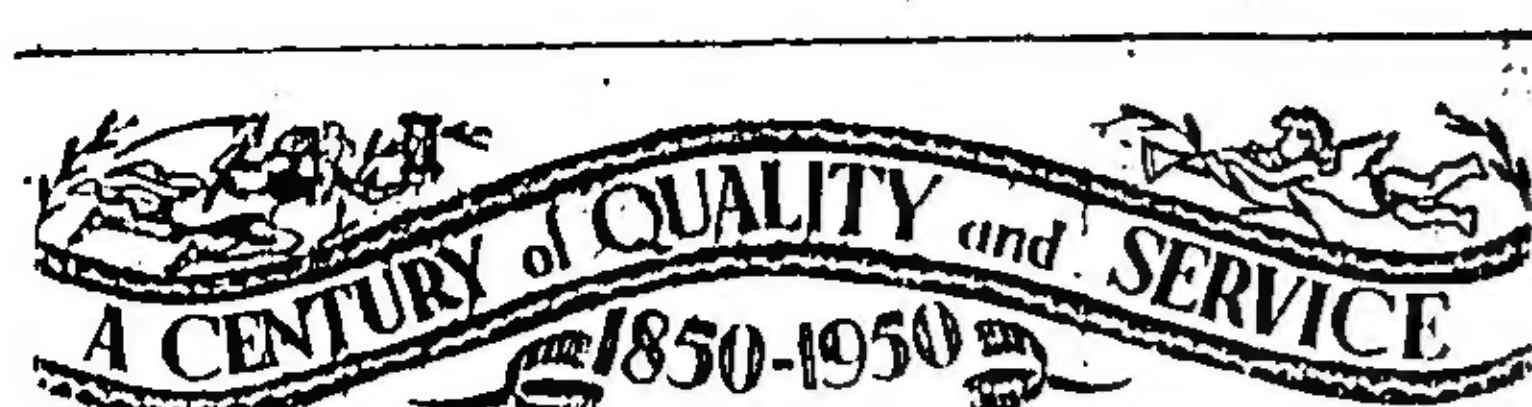
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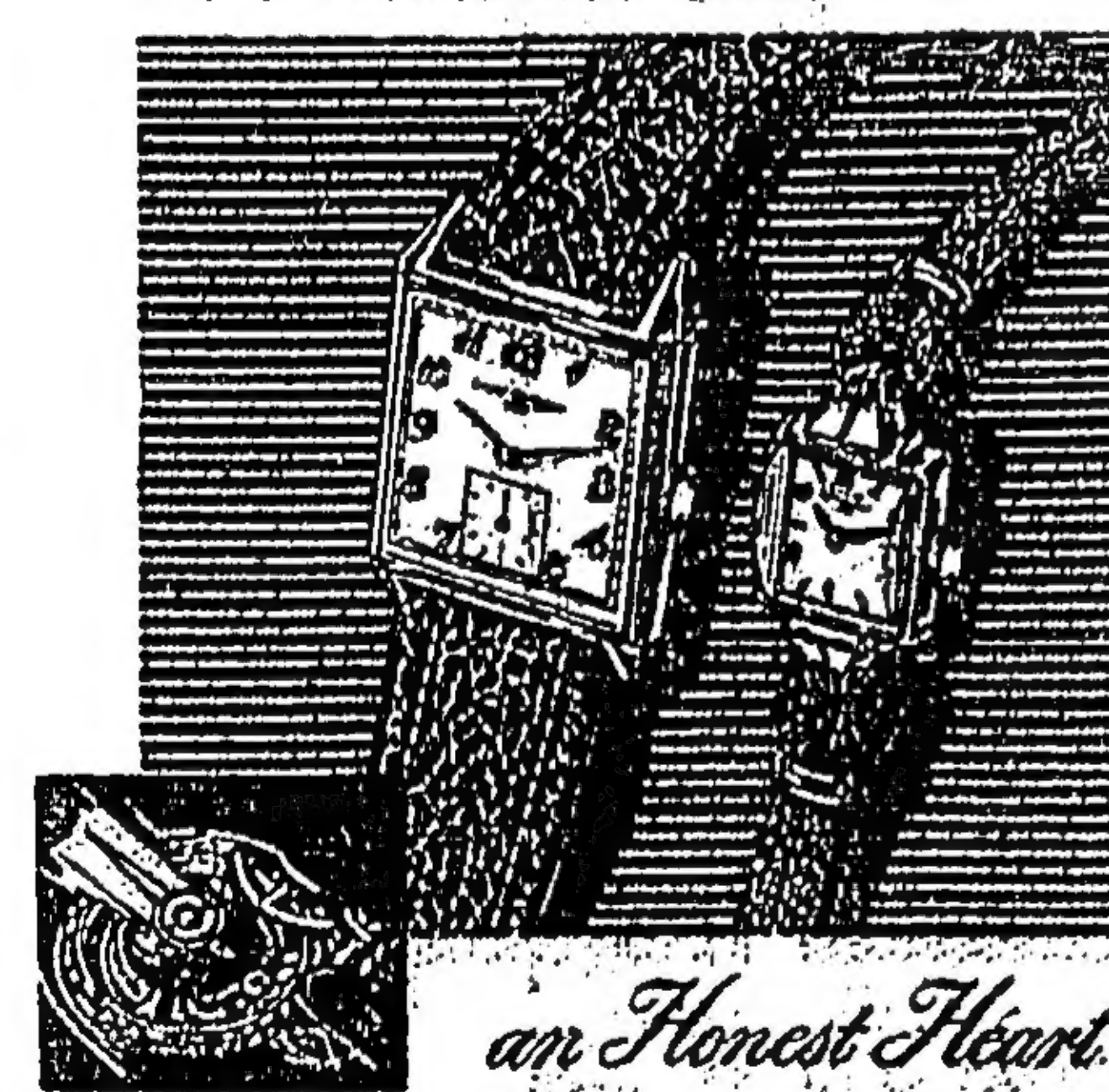
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No sadism in pie-throwing



Pretty British film actress Joyce Linden stops a custard pie flung by cook during filming of the new British picture "Gustard the Cupid" near London. The old pie-throwing antics which convulsed audiences in the old silent days are being revived as an answer to charges of violence, brutality and sadism made against present-day pictures. (AP Photo)

Softball:

Americans shatter St. Joseph's unbeaten record

(By "GRANDSTAND")

In a Men's Senior League softball game at King's Park yesterday, the Americans unleashed a 4-hit barrage in the third inning which enabled them to topple league-leading St. Joseph's with a 12-11 nose-out after eight innings of play.

hurler Fred Heckman was in top form as he limited the power-slugging team to only two scattered hits when he dished out to the Saints their first defeat of the season.

Canadian pennant hopes were smashed as USSS Saltsbury Sound shellacked Karas, aarin for six telling blows, register a 10-0 white-wash.

The Maple Leafs just managed to avert a no-hitter humiliation as Tiger Hueslin eluded a single over second base in the sixth.

Japanese accounted for the Baselineers 3-1, while St. Teresa played heads-up ball once more behind Joey Francisco's brilliant pitching to shuntout Dundas 4-0.

In the other Senior League tilt Braves blanked Cambrianites 6-0.

In the Juniors, both Blackhawks and Jaguar Cubs consolidated their league standing with 10-1 and 5-3 victories, while the Aces made up for an early losing lapse to battle Hawks to a 10-0 all tie after six innings of play.

The Delawares created a mild upset when they thumped the Griffins 9-1.

Full credit must be accorded Frank Clancy Americans as they fought their way back into the game after an early outbreak of errors which gave the Saints a 5-run lead.

Saints manufactured their first runs on a single, two walks and three bobbles to net a big five on the score-board, and added another in the second before the Vanks started scoring.

Rousing double

Bob McGowan's three-bagger broke the ice for the Americans as Schulte scored standing up.

Winning tally

Hub McLane popped out for the second outsize while Schulte grounded to third base, but the throw was wild and went into the crowd behind first base as Heckman dented the rubber with the winning tally.

Fred Heckman fanned five and walked six in the eighth inning, while losing pitcher Sherry Bucks passed eight to first base.

Every one of the Clearmen made a hit except Schulte, Fleider and Flook, with Bob McGowan accounting for two blows, one of which was a three-bagger.

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Chinese Reds' seizure of U.S. Consulate property

When the Chinese Reds seized United States Consulate property in Peking, they made another in a succession of moves which are puzzling most observers in the Far East, says Associated Press.

They do as though they don't want United States recognition, and as if they are putting a chip on their shoulder, daring the United States to go ahead and help the Nationalists in Taiwan.

They could hardly have done anything which at this point would serve more to strengthen the hand of elements in the United States which want to intervene some way in Taiwan. More and more, the people in the Far East, who are slow to form opinions, are beginning to think that Soviet Russia is taking a hand at Peking—either the Soviet directly or the violent pro-Soviet clique of Chinese Communists led by Liu Shao-chi, who took the helm at Peking when Mao Tse-tung went to Moscow.

There is also a growing feeling that either the Soviet or the Chinese or the more subservient of their stooges at Peking are at work getting rid of foreign observation posts in North China because they don't want the outside world to know what is going on in the North. Mr. Angus Ward and his Mukden staff were jockeyed home, which cleared out one source of information about Manchuria. Now a move has been made to clear the one big Consulate at Peking.

Recognition reply In this connection—consider the Communist Radio reply to the British recognition message. The Reds as much as said they will recognize Britain on their own terms when they get good and ready. The reply, incidentally, caused no little anxiety around Hong Kong. Some people here are wondering if the reply means the Reds are getting ready to turn thumbs down on Britain's treaty rights at Hong Kong.

After all, when the Reds seized the Consulate property in Peking, they violated a treaty right, and a little violation in Peking could easily enough be the first step to major violation in Hong Kong.

That would be a move that would certainly cement the Western powers into a solid anti-Communist front in the Far East, and therefore would seem to be a move the Reds hesitate a long time in making. But Peking's moves lately don't appear to make much sense, even from the Chinese Reds' point of view. That is unless Russia is beginning to call the tune in Peking.

No assurance In Washington, the Assistant Secretary of State, Mr. Walter Butterworth, said that there was no assurance that the Americans in Peking would be permitted to leave China, adds a Reuters message from the US Capital.

Communication with the Communist Consulate's staff at Peking, he said, had not been interrupted so far.

Mr. Butterworth said that some papers and codes had been removed to an adjoining compound and others had been destroyed.

It was learned later that all United States Government offices on the Chinese mainland would be closed on the departure of officers and their dependents. The order will apply to offices in Tientsin, Shanghai, and Nanking, as well as Peking. The Consulate at Tientsin has already been closed.

The British Government, it is understood, has consented to look after American interests.

French and Dutch It was also reported here that the Chinese Communist Government's order notifying its intention to occupy foreign barracks would apply also to French and Dutch compounds.

The American authorities do not anticipate difficulty in arranging for the departure of their officials as they believe that in Chinese Communist hands the Chinese Consulate will be a nuisance for them to leave.

The official American view is that its treaty rights did not automatically expire with a change of regime.

It was pointed out here today that if the Chinese Communist Government was seeking a seat on the United Nations Security Council, it would automatically assume obligations placed on it under the United Nations Charter.

Associated Press and Reuters.

False reports An officer of the Criminal Investigation Department said on Saturday that individuals who intentionally give false reports to the police could be given prison sentences.

On Wednesday, someone telephoned police stations and newspapers and reported that a European police officer had been fatally shot outside the Leck Theatre.

Police officers and reporters rushed to the theatre only to find that the report was a hoax.

The officer said yesterday that any person who wastes the time of the police on such hoaxes, with the present situation in Hong Kong, is committing a most serious offence, and would be severely dealt with if caught.

He added: "Any person who would give such a false report has a very distorted sense of humour."

VIET NAM CLAIM Bangkok, January 10. The Viet Nam Republic's office in Bangkok claimed Saturday Viet Nam forces "annihilated" 18 French troops, killed 400 French soldiers and wounded 150 in a recent offensive in Northern Indo-China.

The offensive was said to have taken place in the area of Hon Binh, 40 miles South West of Hanoi.

EXPLOSIONS IN CALCUTTA Calcutta, January 10. A police constable and a civilian were injured tonight in almost simultaneous bomb explosions near three city police stations. There were no arrests.

Personalia Dr. Harold Fisher, President of the Indian-U.S. Relation Institute, arrived here from New Delhi in a British Overseas Airways aircraft yesterday.

Dr. Fisher, who attended the Indian-U.S. relation conference in New Delhi in December last year, is on his way back to the United States.

He told members of the Press that the conference held in New Delhi discussed general relations between India and the U.S.

CAF plane makes forced landing at Kai Tak A Chinese Air Force C-46 aircraft made a forced landing at Kai Tak airport yesterday at about 1.30 p.m.

The aircraft, which is numbered 220, was flying from Taiwan to Hainan when her right engine developed trouble. Before she made the landing here, crew members said that they contacted the local airport and informed the latter of the landing.

The aircraft carried 20 Chinese Nationalist Air Force servicemen who are being transferred to Hainan Island.

All those aboard the plane were permitted to leave the airport.

Major General Chennault watches ball game

Major General Claire Chennault was an interested spectator at yesterday's Men's Senior League softball game between the Americans and St. Joseph's at King's Park.

For the Saints, Benny Omar and Art Ozorio were the only ones to get on base via a safe-all.

Full week-end results MEN'S SENIOR LEAGUE

U.S. Navy	0	Canadians	0
St. Teresa	4	Pandus	0
Braves	16	Cum-henros	0
Jaguars	9	Baseballers	3
Americans	12	St. Joseph's	11
		(eight innings)	

Overseas 7 Paks 6 (Game forfeited by Paks)

Men's Junior League

Aces	10	Roxes	10
		(eight innings)	
Spurs	1	Blackhawks	16
Overseas	12	Braves	3
Delawares	9	Griffins	8
Naguars	5	Pandus	3

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Admiral Andrewes
arrives in HK

Rear-Admiral W. C. Andrewes, CB, CBE, DSO, who arrived here yesterday in a British Overseas Airways aircraft to relieve Vice-Admiral A. C. Madden, CB, CBE, as Flag Officer, Second in Command, Far East.

He was met at the Kai Tak airport yesterday by Vice-Admiral Madden, who has been acting as Flag Officer, Second in Command, Far East, since the departure of the late Admiral Sir John D. Cunningham on January 21.

Shanghai's
textile
industry

Shanghai's textile industry produced 71,150 bales of yarn in November, according to reports from that city. This was described as an 80 per cent improvement over July and was credited largely to government assistance.

Of the production, private mills accounted for 10,433 bales, while Government mills made up the balance.

Early in December, the Government authorities in Shanghai were reported having issued a decree that the output of all cotton mills in the city should be increased by 50 per cent. This was reported to have been done by the Government.

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Blank 10-cent
coins

Do you make it a habit to note your small change when making a purchase, paying your bus fare or buying a movie ticket?

If you don't and then find "ducks" among that pile of coins, don't say you haven't been warned.

Several blank 10-cent pieces have been discovered recently. The sides are blank. Placed together with genuine pieces, the blank ones easily deceive the casual.

It is lighter and has a duller tinkle.

Reliable sources recalled that quite some time ago, such blanks were discovered at bank counters during the course of daily distribution to the general public.

They inserted the ducks could have been "released" inadvertently. The information doubtless that it is an attempt to forge the coin.

SIAM SHOOTING: Bangkok, January 10. The police have arrested three Chinese on suspicion of being members of a four-man gang who shot Miss Elizabeth Parker, British Embassy typist, and Mr. J. F. Shipley, a London consulting engineer, in a holdup attempt last week. —Reuter.

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Spurs fail in quest
for record

London, January 14.

The remarkable record of Burnley in going unbeaten through 30 successive Football League games in 1920-21 season no longer stands in immediate danger. Tottenham Hotspurs had their sequence of 22 League games without defeat brought to an end by Leeds United today who won at home by three goals to zero.

Spurs' only other loss this season occurred in their home match with Blackburn Rovers in August. The result at Leeds was only one of a series of upsets on a day disastrous for many clubs fighting for championships.

In the First Division, Liverpool went down against lowly Bolton to lose a lead to Manchester United. The latter were successful at home against Chelsea.

Another leading club to be beaten was Notts County, who lost to the Third Division South. They suffered their first home defeat of this season at the hands of Crystal Palace, who were in the bottom half of the table.

Domestic Rovers, in League Three North, one of the top four clubs, escape a beating. Tottenham's promotion chances were little affected by the setback as the managers at White Hart Lane failed to take advantage of the opportunity to score the 10 point margin.

They were outplayed by Tottenham, who inflicted upon them a first home reverse of the season and took the lead in the point-shoot of Hull, also overcame Chesterfield.

The fight for the First Division championship was given a new interest through Liverpool's failure at Bolton. For the first time since they took over the leadership from Wolverhampton in December 3, they lost their leading position.

The second man in the Manchester United, who was last week 19, an amateur goal-keeper from Stockport, who was making his debut in League football. By scoring a capital display with a dramatic half-century from the left, Bentley, he had secured an important part in his team's win.

Only a week ago, the young man was the United's fourth choice for goal. A Stanley Mortensen goal against Aston Villa enabled Liverpool to keep well in the championship. Bentley, who had scored a goal in a previous match, had scored a goal in a previous match.

Teams struggling to avoid relegation from the First Division experienced an unhappy time and four of the last five Everton, Charlton, Manchester City and Birmingham, went down.

On the run of the play, Portsmouth did not deserve victory over Everton, which carried them into fourth position.

A feature of Division II was the seven goal performance of Burnley against Grimsby. In this convincing manner, Burnley gave their supporters plenty to cheer about after 11 consecutive games without a win.

Wholesale changes: The wholesale changes made by Southampton following their mid-week Cup defeat by Northampton, did not bring about any improvement for they were beaten at home by Swansea.

Another away winner in this Division was Queen's Park Rangers, for whom their inside left, Don Mills, scored in their first attack against Luton on his return to the club after a spell with Torquay.

Without Tommy Lawton, Notts County's attack rarely looked dangerous against Crystal Palace, who won by the only goal. The county's lead has been reduced to three points over Northampton, who won at Millwall, and Torquay, easy winners over Aldershot.

Notts County's neighbours, Nottingham Forest, are experiencing a revival. Their 5-0 win at Swindon was the best performance of the day. Three brilliant goals by the player-manager, Peter Doherty, gave Doncaster both points against Division North leadership.

The only other "hat-trick" of the day was obtained by Gillingham of Burnley. Attendance at the match exceeded 100,000, the highest in the 49 games.

Home football
league standings

FIRST DIVISION

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Manchester U.	26	11	9	6	41	35	31
Liverpool	26	11	8	7	39	31	31
Blackpool	26	12	9	5	31	29	33
Leeds U.	26	12	8	6	40	29	32
Sheff. Wed.	26	12	7	7	36	31	31
Sheff. U.	26	11	9	6	45	31	31
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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

20 Words \$2 for 1 insertion
\$1 for every additional insertion
10 cents every additional word per insertion
(Alternate Insertions 10% Extra)

BIRTHS, DEATHS, MARRIAGES, PERSONAL \$5 per insertion
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Classified Advertisements, accepted up to 5 p.m. for publication in the following day's paper.

Replies for the Following Box Nos. are awaiting collection.

Box No. 527.

Replies will be forwarded to the Advertiser if requested on the original form which should bear their names and addresses.

A suitable announcement will be inserted Free of Charge if Advertiser's requirements are satisfactorily answered.

POSITION VACANT

WANTED. Commercial Manager for large hotel in Kowloon. Salary \$1,000 per month, plus living expenses. Reply box 627 "China Mail".

WANTED KNOWN

VACUUM Deep Suction Service for carpets, upholstery and drapes. \$15 per hour. Operators service Mid. Levels. Mondays, Barker Road & Peak. Tuesdays, Happy Valley. Wednesdays, Kowloon. Thursdays, Kowloon. Fridays, (Operated by Duraclean Service, Tel. 24408) 702, Bank East Asia Bldg. H.K.

DO YOU know the Government permits up to 10,000 germs per cc in milk for infants, for sale in Hongkong? ALACTA Milk from tuberculous-free cattle contains less than 1,000 germs per cc, at better price. 606 B.E.A. Hong Kong. Phone 28565.

SHANGHAI BLOUSES Silk and Satin, attractive design. Come before Chinese New Year for special price. A Wyndham Street, Hongkong & Shanghai Lace Co. (Kwong Kee).

CULTURED PEARLS fine quality, moderately priced, large selection at George Lin & Company, 202 Bank East Asia Bldg. Tel. 24408.

LADIES, we have at your service all specialized operations for hairdressing, curling, waving, machine-cutting, perming, hairdressing, manicure, ROSE MARIE Beauty Parlour, Phone 50181-43, Han Kow Rd., Kowloon.

PEKING ART RUG CO., 21A Nathan Rd., Kowloon, sell exclusively carpets and rugs. Please drop in and have a look.

EMBROIDERING. Initials, Monograms on garments, handkerchiefs, napery & bed linen undertaken. Also stitching, smocking & all kinds of needlework. Standard workmanship. Moderate charges. The Eastern Embroidery Co., 45, Chungking Arcade, Kowloon.

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MAY BE BOOKED AT THE SWINDON BOOK STORE, 20 NATHAN ROAD, TEL. 59327.

WHY LIMP about with a painful corn or ingrowing toenail when a visit to Beten's expert chiropodist can put you right? Consult Beten's Beauty Salon, 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

GARFETS, Rugs, Upholstery, cleaned in your own home by modern, convenient DURA CLEAN SERVICE DURACLEAN COMPANY, DEERFIELD, ILL. U.S.A. Agent: George Lin & Co., 202 Bank of East Asia Building Tel: 24408.

GARFETS & RUGS—Genuine Peking and Tibetan, lovely designs and colourings, various sizes come and inspect at The China Rug Co., Kowloon Building, 4th Floor, Opposite Hong Kong Hotel, Queen's Road, Central.

DANCING LESSONS

BALLROOM DANCING—"Made Easy" Advanced Variations taught. "Specialities" Rumba, Gamba, Tango, Jitterbug (Live). Enquiries (1-3 P.M.)—Tony Hudson, 512 China Building.

FOR SALE

SPLENDID Well built dwelling suitable for two or more families in best residential section Kowloon. Owners leaving. Must Sell. No reasonable offer refused. Phone 60434 mornings Sunday to Friday.

TAMARA, MAY 503 Peninsula Hotel for American, Dressing, Blouses, Skirts, Evening Gowns, Belts and Costume Jewellery, etc. All Reasonably Priced, Orders Taken.

POLICE NOTICE

Renewal of Arms Licences for 1950.

1. Holders of Arms Licences are reminded that they should renew their licences before the 31st January 1950, after which date failure to comply with this order may result in prosecution and confiscation of the arms.

2. Details of renewal procedure were published in press notices on the 12th and 14th December 1949.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

Hong Kong Jan. 15, 1950.

NOTICE

THE CHINA COAST NAVIGATING AND ENGINEER OFFICERS' GUILD

A Special General Meeting of Guild Members will be held at the Office, Union Building, 21, Pedder Street, at 6 p.m. on Monday, January 16th, 1950, when a resolution will be submitted approving of the two Revised Rules circulated to members recently.

GEORGE T. LLOYD, General Secretary

Hongkong, Jan. 14th, 1950

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THE CHINA COAST NAVIGATING AND ENGINEER OFFICERS' GUILD

The Ordinary General Meeting of members of the above Guild will be held at the Office, Union Building, 21, Pedder Street, Hongkong, at 5 p.m. on Monday, January 16th, 1950.

GEORGE T. LLOYD, General Secretary

Hongkong, Jan. 14th, 1950

Red policy on news coverage

What was described as "the government's policy on news coverage" was stated in Communist newspapers in Shanghai recently, according to reports from Red China.

The policy was specially designed in "regard to release of information on government organizations to foreign reporters and correspondents."

(The only foreign correspondents permitted to work in Red China now are those from countries which recognize Peking, mainly Russians.)

The announcement said the policy had been drawn up by the "State Administrative Council at its 10th meeting," presumably in Peking.

The statement said that no information should be released on: 1. Secret and confidential matters concerning national defence, military operations and public security.

2. Diplomatic secret and confidential matters.

3. Confidential matters on finance and economics.

4. Government secrets in general.

News bureau

It was also stated that matters pertaining to government news would be handled by an international news bureau of the government's Information Administration. No other government agency or department is permitted to release news to foreign reporters.

The decision on unified release of news was reached by the State Administrative Council on Dec. 18 to "ensure the accuracy and responsibility of the news."

Actually, news releases will come through the Communist New China News Agency.

Newsmen may gather news, if not otherwise stipulated, from the government and its subordinate organs in the following cases:

1. Actions taken in executing plans, decisions or enactments which have already been announced by the government and its subordinate organs.

2. Work and related matters carried out by the government and its organs and affiliated business companies, such as factories, mills, trading corporations, railway administrations, schools, broadcasting stations, cinemas and quays.

3. Routine work and living conditions of business companies under control of the councils, committees, administrations and banks of the government—Associated Press.

KMT agent in Shanghai captured

Shanghai security authorities recently claimed the capture of a leading KMT agent attached to an anti-Communist force within Red China. The agent was named as Chao Chung-chun and was said to have been found living among squatters, according to sources within Communist China. Chao and other agents were said by the Reds to have admitted that they planned armed sabotage. Red authorities said no action would be taken against Chao's accomplices, who were described as "hired help." The Reds did not say what would be done with Chao himself—Associated Press.

SHANGHAI CENSUS

The Communists have assigned 5,000 workers to the job of taking a new census of Shanghai, according to reports from that city. In addition to counting occupants of Shanghai, the census takers are to report on living conditions and to list the number of homeless—Associated Press.

GLASS CLEANING

that stays gleaming!



'GLASS WAX'

A Product of Gold Leaf NEW way to clean glass faster... to stay clear longer. Protects windows, mirrors and all glass, dirt-resistant, wax coat.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., LTD. Chung Tin Bldg.

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Perfume with the irresistible allure

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

ANNUAL RACE MEETING 1950

Saturday 14th, Monday 16th, Tuesday 17th, Wednesday 18th and Saturday 21st January

The First Bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the first race will be run at 12.00 noon, each day. The time interval is after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.).

There are 10 races each day (50 in all). The "Pearce Memorial Cup" is scheduled to be run on the third day, Tuesday, 17th January, Race No. 6, at 3.30 p.m.

Through tickets at \$100 each may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurer, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets at \$25 each for the Special Cash Sweep on the "Pearce Memorial Cup." The latter may be purchased also at the Club's Branch Office, No. 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting Ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10. per day, including tax for Ladies or gentlemen are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all bills etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurer's Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office will close at 10.00 a.m. each day. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to this Public Enclosure is \$5. each day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

BOOKMAKERS, TIC TAC MEN ETC., WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PREMISES OF THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB DURING THE RACE MEETING. MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

BY ORDER: E. A. SLEAP, Secretary.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Rainwater, look! Junior scalp um first palofacet!"

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

The Authority on Authorities

BETTER THAN 3 TO 1

WHEN success with either of two finesses would make you contract, the chances are nearly always better than 3 to 1 in your favour. You have just your club with the finesse alone, since the two cards against which you may be located four different ways—both at your right and at your left, the first honour at your right opposite the other or the second honour at your right opposite the first. One of these four situations, one of three of these four situations, are here are generally other chances if you look for them, including a suit-establishment play, a throw-in, or a squeeze.

SAK 10 7 5
H 7 3
D 9 3 2
C 10 4 3

1 9 8 N S Q J 3 2
1 0 9 8 H K J 5
8 4 2
D 8 5 S D 6
C K J 5 S C 8 7 2

S 6 4
H A Q
D A K Q J 10 7 4
C A Q

(Dealer: South. Both sides vulnerable.)

	South	West	North	East
1 D	Pass	1 S	Pass	Pass
3 D	Pass	3 S	Pass	Pass
1 D	Pass	5 D	Pass	Pass
6 D				

That contract became a lead pipe cinch when West led the heart 10 and East put in the K. The only trick lost was to the club K when the Q was finessed. But suppose West had made it a little tougher by leading a trump. Then South could have assured his contract if either the heart or club finesse worked, which would be the case if 1.

East had the heart K and West the club K. 2. East had the club K and West the heart K. 3. East had both the heart K and club K, and both finesses would be marked as losers only if West had both missing high honours. There was the extra chance that, if the missing spades were evenly divided, a ruff of the third spade would establish the remaining two for discards of both heart and club. 4. South, in fact tried to accomplish that, to make an overtrick. There was also a throw-in chance. After clearing out defence trumps in two rounds, then three spade rounds, with the last ruffed, the heart A could be scored and the Q led. If West had to win it, which he didn't, a club or heart return by him would assure the contract. There was the extra chance that West, dialling to lead either bid suit, might lead away from a K if he had both missing ones. So all told, the odds were perhaps 6 to 1 instead of 3 to 1 that South could make the contract.

Tomorrow's Problem

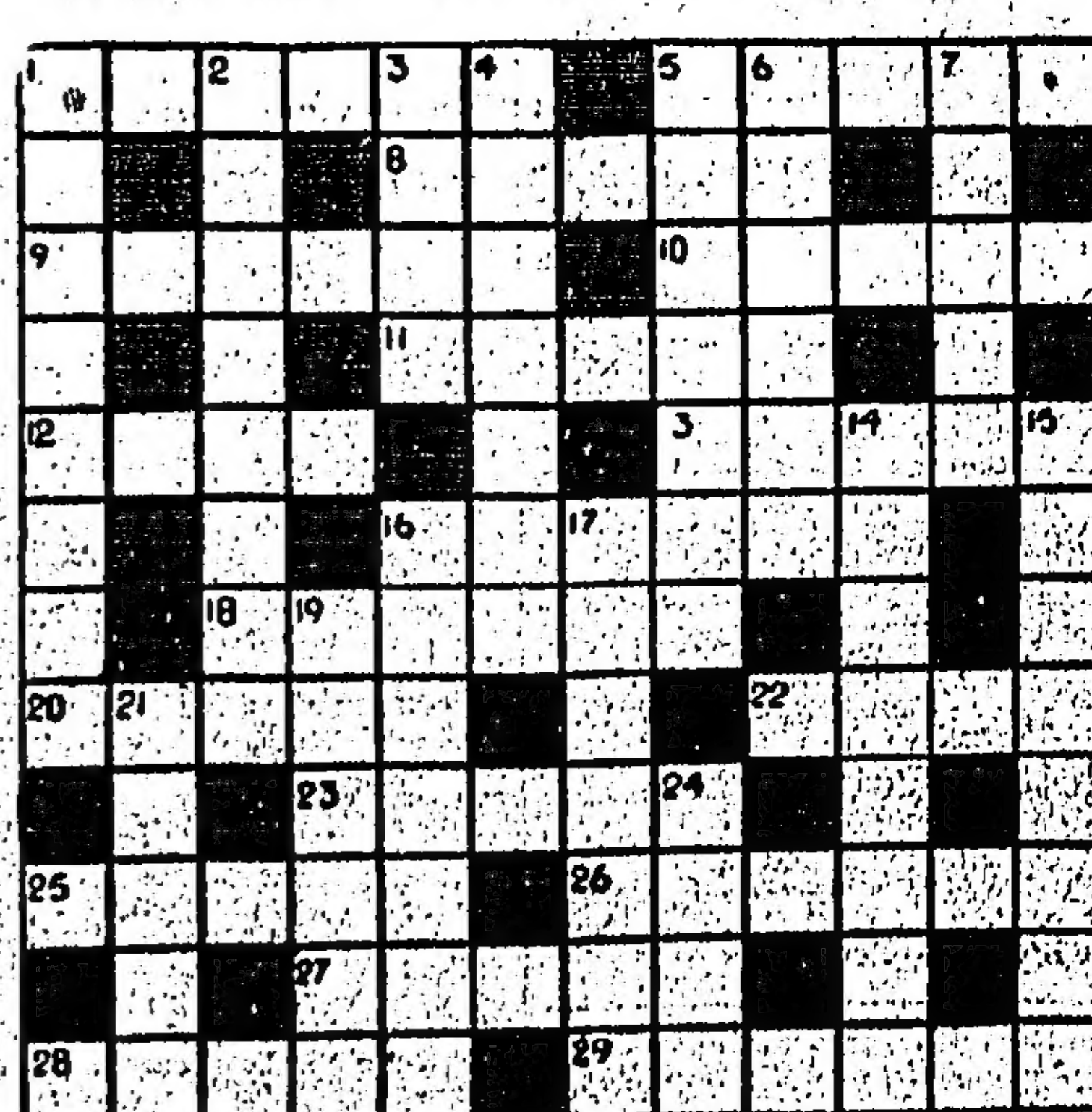
SA 10 7
H Q 8 7 5
D 10 9 6
C A 10 4

S K 8 4 3 N S Q 9 2
H K 9 8 3 H 10 4 2
D J 8 3 D K Q 4
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(Dealer: West. North-South vulnerable.)

What is the soundest measure to use in deciding whether South should open the bidding after three passes?

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Across

1 Confused
5 Lift with an effort
8 That may be bought
9 Residential establishment
10 Steps of a ladder
11 Tense
12 Cheese
13 Surrendered

Down

7 Uncertain
14 Absconded
15 Circumspect
16 Feared
17 Prudent
18 Reply
19 Blaspheinous
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RESUME OF THE COLOMBO CONFERENCE ACHIEVEMENTS

Colombo, January 14.

LUMBER MILL RAZED

North Vancouver, January 14.
One of British Columbia's biggest lumber mills still smouldered today after a \$500,000 fire burned most of it to a shell.

All available firemen were called out to fight the blaze, which broke out last night at a mill owned by Lyons Gate Lumber Company at Burrard Inlet and the largest in this Vancouver suburb. At one time the 100-foot flames threatened to spread to a nearby plant manufacturing highly inflammable creosote.

They were further hampered when flames spread from the mill proper and put a nearby transformer station out of action, plunging the area into darkness.

No injuries were directly attributed to the fire, but the police said a woman collapsed with a heart attack apparently brought on by excitement as she watched the flames spreading.

A company official placed the loss tentatively at \$500,000. He said the blaze, which was believed to have started in a pile of sawdust, had left some 200 men out of work. United Press

Anti-Jewish feeling in Germany

New York, January 14.
Harry Greenstein, former adviser on Jewish affairs to the United States occupation authorities, told the American Jewish Committee's New York chapter today that the democratic forces in Germany will have to work as long and as hard to eradicate anti-Semitism from the Germans as the Nazis did to install it.

He proposed a four-point programme for Germany's democratisation which he declared "is indispensable to that country's participation in the union of the Democratic World."

"The occupying powers recognise in anti-Semitism the rejection of democracy and an unmistakable sign of resurgence of German nationalism in its most vicious form."

2. The occupation and German authorities should be ever-vigilant against manifestations of anti-Semitism and deal with it in a vigorous and military fashion."

3. "Powers reserved by the authorities in the occupation statute be so exercised as to guide the press and other means of communication in bringing about genuine regeneration of the German people."

4. A long-range democratic programme "which will reach into governmental circles, into the church, family, schools and into the daily lives of the German people."—United Press.

COUNCIL FOR SOMALILAND

Geneva, January 14.
A committee of the United Nations Trusteeship Council tonight provisionally agreed on the tasks of an Advisory Council to help Italy govern her former colony of Somaliland.

Until Somaliland gains full independence in 10 years, Italy will be advised as trust administrator by a United Nations committee of representatives from Colombia, Egypt and the Philippines.—Reuter.

But all delegates' accounts agree that while Pandit Nehru reaffirmed in detail his misgivings about recognising Bao Dai he was ready to take account of the arguments of the other side.

The weightiest of these arguments is the obvious fact that the alternatives to Bao Dai would be a Communist Indo-China under the Vietnamese leader, Ho Chi-minh.

On the precedent of China, recognition would probably not be simultaneous and each member would be free to recognise or not. The achievements of the Ministers at the fifth major British Commonwealth conference since the war, fall into three main categories—political, economic and financial and psychological.

The most concrete political result was the recommendation to establish a working party in London to continue studying the problems of a Japanese peace settlement and to co-ordinate as far as possible divergences of approach shown at Colombo.

Discussion on China resolved itself into a general admission of the inevitability of eventual recognition of the Peking Government.

Emphasis on timing

But there was varying emphasis on timing—already reflected in recognition before the conference by Britain and the three Asian members of the conference, and non-recognition by the other four countries.

Pandit Nehru was the chief spokesman for the view that speedy establishment of diplomatic relations with the new regime will give maximum encouragement to Peking to evolve along its own lines and avoid becoming a puppet of Moscow.

Australia and New Zealand voiced anxiety on security grounds and warned against the Commonwealth ignoring the possible threat of Chinese expansionism.

Observers think that the positive side of the debate on China was that all members appeared to agree that once they had recognised Peking they should make a genuine effort for normal relations with Mao Tse-tung—so long as he himself makes this possible.

On other South East Asia issues the impression is as follows:

Burma—The problem is mainly economic and dependent on a domestic political solution.

Malaya—Elimination of the guerrillas is undoubtedly needed before there can be consolidation in the political and economic fields.

Siam—Observers believed that outside aid is more likely to come from the United States than from the Commonwealth.

Indonesia—The Ministers recorded the hope that the corner has been turned and that the new

Republic will emerge as a stable political and economic unit in the eventual non-Communist pattern of South-East Asia.

Review of problems

The other political items of the agenda—the international situation and Europe—merely amounted to a review of overall problems and an exchange of views and information.

On the economic side the Ministers adopted a plan to study Commonwealth aid to South East Asia and established continuing machinery for this. When this machinery begins to work in Canberra a clearer idea will emerge of the possibilities in this field.

The economic talks proper were overshadowed by the Ministerial sessions and got little publicity. Underlying the bold reference in the communiqué to the review of the Sterling Area's balance of payments position, it is authoritatively learned that the economic experts felt satisfied that their talks were a real success.

That the experts have been able to agree on their estimates of the balance of payments position is itself regarded as a big, positive achievement, since it will simplify the future demands of individual members on the Commonwealth pool of resources.

Though necessarily indefinable, the psychological achievements are generally agreed to have been among the conference's most successful features.

Observers believe that insistence on the full sovereignty of individual members is now so taken for granted in these conferences that it needs less emphasis as even the youngest partners gain confidence that the new Commonwealth relationship is sincerely recognised by all.—Reuter.

RUSSIAN AGENTS NABBED

Hanover, January 14.
A group of agents from the Soviet zone of Germany who succeeded in infiltrating into Western Germany have been arrested here.

The arrests were made by German criminal police. The men are being held at the Hanover police prison which has been put under special surveillance.

The chief of the German criminal police here said that in the interests of State security he could give no information on the arrests.

Police men on guard at the prison have been told that they would be dismissed immediately if any information on the arrested men leaked out.

It is reported that leading police officials have been sent to Bonn to discuss the matter with the West German Government authorities.—Reuter.

BEVIN TO STOP OVER IN CAIRO

Cairo, January 14.
Mr. Ernest Bevin will stop in Cairo on his way home from the Colombo Conference to meet the new Egyptian Prime Minister, Nahas Pasha, and other Egyptian leaders, a British Embassy spokesman said here today.—Reuter.

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DEATH

LINTON HENRY DE COSIER passed away peacefully on January 15, 1950, at his residence, 10, Tung Cheong Building, Kowloon. Manager of "The Great China Trading Company," Hongkong. Funeral service at 4 p.m. at the Colonial Cemetery, on 10th instant. (New Zealand, Australian & New York papers please copy)

COMMONWEALTH TALKS END

The Conference of Commonwealth Foreign Ministers at Colombo has ended. Side by side with the Ministerial meetings, officials concerned with economic questions held discussions so as to take back to their respective Ministers an up-to-date picture of the economic position as it affects the Commonwealth. A brief survey of the official communiques will serve to refresh the memory.

The Conference considered, firstly, the general international situation and then the Chinese question—both recognition of the new regime and the future relations of the Commonwealth countries with China. The Commonwealth practice of consultation on all important problems, leaving each Government to make its own individual decision, was once more stressed.

At the next session the Japanese Peace Treaty and the political and economic conditions in the countries of South-East Asia. After a free exchange of views, there was general agreement that a Peace Treaty for Japan should be concluded at an early date—on which, in point of fact, there has always been general agreement. No decisions were taken, nor were any expected. The vital interests of other nations, especially the United States, would preclude such action. The basis for discussion was a Memorandum prepared by the British Delegation. The very far-reaching decision as to whether the democratic nations should attempt to make a peace settlement with the Japanese without the co-operation of Russia and China—if that is still not forthcoming—is obviously a matter that will require further consideration.

Indeed, at this session, interest centred mainly on the report of Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Commissioner-General in South-East Asia, when delegates turned to the subject of conditions in that region. Mr. MacDonald gave a first-hand account not only of Malaya but also of Siam and Indo-China, which he recently visited. The Conference benefited, too, by the personal accounts given by two other Ministers—Pandit Nehru, who last November received the then Foreign Minister of Burma, U E Maung, in New Delhi, and Mr. P. C. Spender, the Australian Minister for External Affairs, who had talks with President Soekarno in Indonesia on his way to Ceylon.

Political discussions were chiefly concerned with the situation in Indo-China and in Burma. There was considerable support for the view that some form of recognition should be given to the Emperor. Bao Dai's regime in Indo-China, especially as the French continue the process of transferring power, and also as a move to offset any

THE FUTURE OF BRITAIN'S RELATIONS WITH AMERICA

By "Windrush"

The New Year has begun unfortunately with disagreements between Great Britain and America over foreign policy. There are forecasts of wider differences in the future.

This is a very serious thing. The closest co-ordination of foreign policies between Great Britain and America is essential if there is to be world peace. This is a truism. But it cannot be repeated often enough. Russia's principal hope is that there will be a rift between the two countries. Japan's aggression which opened the way for the aggression of Mussolini of Hitler, was successful at its start only because in 1932 Great Britain and America could not agree to act together in checking it.

Because both governments know that so much depends on their collaborating, they are unlikely ever to drift very far apart. But they can diverge enough to cause anxiety and uncertainty in the non-Communist part of the world. The causes of friction between them and the differences of their aims need therefore to be studied very closely.

The centre of trouble is not likely to be Europe, even though in Europe there are differences of conception between London and Washington. American policy in Europe, has been far-sighted, patient and skilful. The programme of Marshall aid to Europe was an act of political genius. It strengthens the faith in democracy that a democratic government was able to devise and execute such an imaginative policy (Democracy is usually accused of being short-sighted).

Today America is reaping its rewards for its vision. Because of Marshall aid, Communism has been limited to Eastern Europe

impetus which the forces sympathetic to Communist rule may have received as a result of the recognition of the Chinese Communist Government by a number of democratic States. This does not imply that any concerted Commonwealth move will be taken. As in the case of China, each member of the Commonwealth will act individually.

The British attitude toward Vietnam is governed by consideration of the welfare of its people. It is considered that at least eighty per cent of those who have been supporting the Vietnamese under Dr. Ho Chi-minh are not Communists, and are increasingly becoming weary of the civil war he has provoked. The British Government hopes that a truly independent State may emerge, and will watch with sympathy the efforts of the Nationalists, who have already secured a considerable degree of self-government under the leadership of Bao Dai and by negotiation with the French.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, in his analysis of the Indo-Chinese situation, is believed to have given a comparatively hopeful account of Bao Dai's regime. He pointed out that it would be wrong to regard the Government as a puppet of France. In fact, he said, it was strongly nationalistic. The Indian Prime Minister, however, counselled a policy of caution in the recognition of Bao Dai until in fact it was more clearly demonstrable whether the Emperor does or does not represent the nationalistic will of the people.

Some reports indicate that a Commonwealth loan to assist Burma in the process of rehabilitation was discussed in principle by the delegates. It was suggested that such a loan would strengthen the country's internal currency, by allowing Burma to draw on a special fund, which would guarantee her production and export of rice. The question also arises of supplying Commonwealth technologists to assist in the development.

The last item on the agenda of the conference was the situation in Europe. On this Mr. Bevin gave a report and dealt with Britain's relationship with the Western European Powers, through such organisations as the Western Union, the Council of Europe, the Atlantic Pact and similar regional bodies.

The Conference was fruitful of keen discussion, which may help to dissolve divergencies on certain issues. Decisions, of course, lie with the various Governments themselves—a point too often forgotten.

Without Marshall aid, Communism might have extended to the English channel.

Western union

Great Britain's only disagreement with America in Europe is over the future pattern of West Union. It feels that America has accepted in too rough and ready a way the idea that Europe's economic problems would be solved if it would throw down the economic barriers between its states, and create a customs union and currency union. America's greatness rose out of federating the original 13 states. It feels that Europe can revive its greatness by carrying through a similar great federation. Nobody denies that the closer the union in the West, the better. But Great Britain has a kind of dual personality. It is part of West Europe. It is also part of the Commonwealth. It has to be careful that, in fitting itself into the "integration" of West Europe it does not take any step which will weaken the Commonwealth. American is apt to be a little impatient with this caution. It thinks that Great Britain is lukewarm towards the ideal of a revived European economy and civilisation.

Differences may lie ahead over Germany. Most Americans approach the problems of Europe with the one over-mastering interest of making the Western part of the continent a "going concern." Obviously, the 50,000,000 West Germans with their industriousness and with the equipment of the Ruhr, could be a valuable part of any European union.

The Americans are apt to brush aside too lightly the doubts which beset the French especially, and to some extent the British, about the dangers from an over-mighty Germany. And West Germany is quick to see the opportunity which this offers her. One very frank German admitted recently that West

Germany was bent on ousting Great Britain as Americans' favourite ally.

Far East issues

It is in the Far East that the main difficulties between Great Britain and America are likely to arise. Historically, the two countries have seldom been very closely in this part of the world. At the end of the recent war, Great Britain was ready for a time to leave the lead in China to America. It acquiesced in, though it did not altogether sympathise with, America's policy of backing Chiang Kai-shek.

America and Great Britain have rather different pictures of Asia. America at the end of the war believed that China could be made the centre of Asian reconstruction. There would be a China-America axis. Round this axis all the other countries of Asia would find their place. The British, whose historic ties with Asia were with India and the South of the continent, rather than with China, were sceptical about China's ability to play the part designed for it.

America's plans in Asia have now to be modified. The Kuomintang has failed it as a partner. America is very much afraid that Communism, which has triumphed in China, will now sweep most of Asia. It has now to consider how to build its defences. For this, it has to decide its policy towards Japan, towards South East Asia, towards India and Pakistan, and towards Persia.

It is taking an unconscionable time to make up its mind what to do. American foreign policy is the victim of domestic politics to a greater extent than is foreign policy in Great Britain. It is often because of causes in the American political situation that it has very little to do with foreign affairs.

Free Ceylon may well be pleased

By Victor Lewis

As the Commonwealth Foreign Ministers depart from their shores this week, Sri Lanka ("Free Ceylon") will prepare to celebrate on the February 4 the end of its second year as an independent Dominion.

Nothing has brought greater pleasure to its people or greater encouragement to their leader than the tribute to the country's satisfactory emergence as a Dominion implied in the Commonwealth's decision to hold the Foreign Ministers' conference in its capital.

The first two formative years of Sri Lanka's life have been eminently satisfactory. There have been few troubles, but there has been none of the strife which has accompanied the early days of freedom in many another country.

The United National Party Government—which is practically a coalition—in getting out on a six years' plan has shown that in the long run the infant Dominion could not have had a better nurse.

Frankly, a few Ministers and several departmental chiefs are still undergraduates in government, but many have already proved their fitness in the form of long-term plans for education, agricultural development, irrigation schemes, the reorganisation of rural development, the creation of new industries, defence and police.

And Time is beginning to show that the majority of these schemes are well founded, socially and economically.

Experts needed

One aspect of these formative years which shows the wisdom of Premier Senanayake and his Cabinet is the Government's readiness to admit the need for the acceptance of experts from other countries to assist in pulling its house in order.

Where we have seen in other newly independent countries a rather ostrich-like attitude towards outside help, Ceylon warmly invited experts to organise, and simultaneously, in effect, to supervise the development of its various departments.

Within two years of the end of British administration, when a few wise Ceyloners might have chewed outside help, the Welsh Sir Ivor Jennings is the University's vice-chancellor, the English educationalist, S. P. Rowe is the director of education; the Australian Dr. Crumpton is the country's medical adviser; the Scottish Brigadier Lord Calhoun is the military adviser; the ex-B.B.C. man, John Lampson, is director of broadcasting.

In addition, a team of Viennese specialists has been recruited to

augment the medical services, and American technicians are carrying out the biggest irrigation project in the Far East.

What has Ceylon achieved in its first two years? It has crossed its first bridges without unrest. Through Communism's deadly enemy, Premier Senanayake, it has kept Communism at bay while that menace has spread through so many other parts of the East.

It has embarked successfully upon the battle against illiteracy and has set in motion the first machinery of free education. Under the guidance of the youngest and most promising Minister, Dudley Senanayake, the Premier's son, it has tackled with success the enormous problem of agricultural development towards independence from foreign food supplies.

It has embarked upon irrigation and hydro-electric projects to back its food drive and to feed industrial development planned by the Minister for Industries, Pannambalam, which will utilise to a greater measure than ever before the country's natural resources.

It has explored, and is developing its vast mineral wealth. In its food drive it is reorganising the fishing industry.

It has founded its own Navy and Army, its own internal and external airlines, has reorganised its radio services, and is about to enter the commercial radio field.

It has planned its road transport. It has modernised its police force, has already built 6,000 new houses, has embarked upon a nationwide flight against tuberculosis, which claims 10,000 victims a year, and in its independence it has nurtured and encouraged the perpetuation of indigenous arts and crafts.

Satisfactory economics

Economically, Ceylon may be regarded as in fairly satisfactory shape. She is, of course, a voluntary member of the sterling area. From the multilateral trading group comes a major portion of her imports—in 1948 amounting to 708,000,000 rupees out of a total of 883,000,000. (The present value of a Ceylon rupee is almost exactly 1/6).

This year the proportion from the sterling area is even higher. Ceylon is the only member of the Commonwealth, despite her small size, which had a dollar surplus throughout the war, and she still contributes the whole of her net earnings to the dollar pool of the sterling area.

In 1949, for the first time as a free country, she agreed to restrict her dollar imports to 100,000,000 rupees. In that year she contributed 120,000,000 rupees' worth of dollars to the sterling area's dollar pool. And the process is still going on.

Great Britain cannot afford to wait for American leadership in Asia. Though the old British Empire no longer exists, in Asia the British Commonwealth of free and independent partners is very much a reality. The Commonwealth is as anxious as America about the spread of Communism. It has to decide its policies in the dangerous, new Asia. To discuss them was the purpose of the Commonwealth Conference at Colombo. The conclusions which are reached may not harmonise with American ideas. For example, the Commonwealth will recognise the Communist Government in China, since it regards this as the only realistic course even though it does not at all sympathise with Communism. America on the other hand shows no sign of recognising the Communists. Strongly these differences will almost certainly lead to friction.

This is a headline town

By John Hall

Like a 20th-century beacon, the 750ft. pencil-silhouette, most of the new Midlands television transmitter landmarks the royal and ancient town of Sutton Coldfield.

But down in the main street and in the compact middle-class homes that nestle in the rolling North Warwickshire countryside the town's 57,000 inhabitants give little heed to the BBC's newest wonder up there on the Hill two and a half miles away. Sutton Coldfield is almost exclusively residential town. To many of its residents, business chiefs, and professional men who travel each day to Birmingham seven miles away, or to other parts of the Midlands conurbation, television of the rest is that they will believe it when they see it.

The publicity that has come to their town is of little moment, for Sutton Coldfield was of account as far back as Domesday through its stone of the Domesday Book—and it will be the same proud town long after science has passed on to new marvels. Henry VIII. went to Sutton Coldfield for the chase. Its great Sutton Park was once a royal forest. "Fovell" last Saxons and ancestor of Mary Arden, Shakespeare's mother, lived there. Sutton Coldfield was a thriving market and industrial town—local history claims that there was mechanical engineering here long before Aston's spinning frame—when the now great commercial districts of the Midlands were still small agricultural hamlets.

The highly respectable BBC fits perfectly into the high respectability of Sutton Coldfield.

LISBON'S ENVOY TO RESIGN

Washington, January 14. The Portuguese Ambassador to the United States, Seno Pedro Pereira, announced today that he is relinquishing his post here and returning to Portugal shortly. —Reuter.

Have I ever been fascinated?

The fond mother received a letter from her son: "Dear Mum,—I joined the Navy because I liked the way the ships were kept so clean and tidy. But I never knew until this week who keeps them so clean and tidy—Love, Jimmy."

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When it comes to military strategy, Truman thinks Robert is a bit fat.

A burglar, charged with breaking into a bar, was alleged to have consumed an entire case of beer. He asked for five other cases to be taken into consideration.

A Lizard is No Dragon. Formosa is not China. Rabies ravings.

"I think a thief who steals something and then takes it back to the shop and says, 'Will you please change it?' is a very bold thief indeed," says a magistrate. He's right, but my favourite is still the fellow who broke into a warehouse and stole the collar off the watchdog.

An advertisement states that tests of hundreds of people who smoked a certain imported cigarette did not reveal a single case of throat irritation. If they'd only tested me, the investigators would have got out of the rut.

Rabies ravings. I know it's incredible, but they've made the slaughter of dogs and cats for dog illegal in Hong Kong.

On the other hand, it is a comfort to hear that the spics of danger, together with the traditional whipping of the animal to death, will now give an added aphrodisiac quality to the tasty dish.

Myrtle's grandfather considers that a diplomat is a person who is appointed to mend situations that would never occur if there were no diplomats.

I hear about a well-known novelist who was persuaded to go and see the filmed version of his newest novel. He reported that he was glad he went, because it had given him a tip-top idea for a new plot, but not being a plagiarist, he could not use it.

You know what a fan dancer is? A nudist with a cooling system.

A bull which had to be treated by a vet in England was found to have swallowed broken bits of a cup and saucer. Somehow, in his poor, confused mind, he'd turned the old saying inside out.

"Have I ever been fascinated?" said the little moron. "Yes, indeed; twice. The first time it left some funny marks on my arm."

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RESIGNATION OF STATE DEPT. OFFICIALS ASKED BY SENATOR KNOWLAND "Bankrupt China Policy"

Washington, January 14.

Mr. William Knowland, Republican Senator (California) demanded today the resignation of United States administration officials responsible for American policy towards China.

Mr. Knowland's demand came in an interview as angry law-makers proposed that the United States classify Chinese Communists as "outlaws" and shun any diplomatic dealings with them as a result of the Communist seizure of American consular property at Peking.

Mr. Knowland said that the State Department's announcement today that it was withdrawing official United States staffs from Communist China "underscores the result of our bankrupt China policy."

The Senator has been a frequent and outspoken critic of this policy.

He said, "It is now time that the new responsible for that policy submit their resignations to the President so that the nation may have a new and non-defeatist team in whom the Congress and the nation can have confidence."

He told reporters that his demand for resignation was aimed chiefly at Mr. W. L. Butler, fourth Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs, who announced the Peking developments.

Fitting the shoe

"If the policies of the Far Eastern division are approved by the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, the shoe fits him too," Mr. Knowland said.

SE Asia for China Reds Yen states

Taipei, January 15.

The Nationalist Premier Mr. Yen Hsi-shan predicted today the Soviet Union would agree to Chinese Communist domination of South East Asia.

This he said, would be intended, first, to prevent the Chinese Reds from deviating from the party line and, second, to compensate them for loss of Russian Outer Mongolia, Inner Mongolia, Manchuria and Sinkiang.

Mr. Yen made his prediction in a formal statement issued through the Foreign Office.

He said the length of Red Chairman Mao Tse-tung's current stay in Moscow indicated a wide scope of subjects was being discussed and that a number of snags must have been struck.

Mr. Yen asserted he was convinced that when Mao returned to Peking he would have completed another phase in his "selling out of the national rights of China to his master."

"Selling out"

Mr. Yen concluded, "My government has continually exposed the imperialist designs of the USSR. I am firmly convinced the nefarious influence of Mao's visit to Moscow will be limited neither to the Chinese people nor to the peoples of all South East Asia."

Nationalists are anticipating the arrival later today of Dr. Philip Jessup, roving American Ambassador.

All signs point to strong pleas aimed at convincing him they can hold Taiwan against the Reds if given economic aid. Dr. Jessup is tentatively to have dinner with Premier Yen tonight.—Associated Press.

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Mr. Knowland said that the Chinese Communists had greeted with new unfriendly acts President Truman's announcement that the United States would not give further military aid to the Chinese Nationalist Government on Formosa.

Democrats as well as Republicans displayed angry reaction to the Communist move at Peking.

Mr. Brian McMahon, Democrat Senator (Connecticut) said, "It is a move towards forcing recognition, they are making a grave mistake."

He added that the Communists had "shattered the open door of China in our faces."

Mr. John Kee (Democrat, West Virginia), Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, said, "The only thing to do is simply break off all relations with the Communists and get our people out."

In addition to their action against American government

property at Peking, the Communists also were reported to have ordered the seizure of property belonging to the French and Netherlands Governments.

Whether there has been actual physical seizure of the French and Dutch property has not been reported to the State Department.

All of these actions were based on the Red proclamation for taking over "military barracks and other establishments" held by certain foreign countries under treaty rights in China.

According to the State Department's interpretation of this proclamation, it could apply to property held by the British and even by the Russians. However, there was no information here to indicate any action had been taken against either the British or the Russians.

The British Government has agreed to look after United States interests in China after the withdrawal of American personnel. There are 36 Americans in the United States setup at Peking. Reuter and Associated Press.

Dissatisfaction among Taiwan population seen

Washington, January 14.

The Chief of the Economic Co-operation Administration to China reported today unrest and some dissatisfaction among the people of Taiwan, last refuge of the Nationalist Government.

Mr. Ray Moyer, recently appointed head of the ECA, declined comment on what Representative Judd (Republican, Minnesota) said were State Department warnings that the people of Taiwan were about to revolt against Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek.

"Communism in Taiwan has not made as much headway as on the mainland," Mr. Moyer said, "but when I left there last month, there was dissatisfaction about some things."

The Taiwan situation, as he summed it up, could be considered in a delicate state of balance.

Mr. Moyer, an old China hand, said he felt the farmers and peasants of what is Communist-held China were never for against the Nationalist Government. He said the chief opposition came from the intellectuals.

Asked if he found that Generalissimo Chiang's regime had lost the support of the Chinese people, Mr. Moyer replied:

"The people wanted to be left alone. I do not think the government exacted too much from the peasants in military recruiting and taxes, but I never felt the Communist movement was a popular movement with the masses."

There were certain elements which he identified as college professors and students who wanted a more progressive programme than that offered by the Chiang government.

Asked if the intellectuals abandoned the government, Mr. Moyer said:

"Yes, I would say that was correct. They abandoned hope of getting a programme from the government."

There was a strong affirmative interest in ECA help, he added.

Mr. Moyer regards both Taiwan and Hainan as eligible for point four aid in the way of U.S. technical assistance.

Red propaganda

Mr. Moyer said Chinese Communist propaganda, promising peasants land, food and everything they needed, aided the Reds in ousting the Nationalists. He added that there is much evidence that this type of propaganda is being extended to countries in South East Asia.

He called continued American assistance very important in helping South East Asia to resist this propaganda. Mr. Moyer also recommended continuation of ECA help to Taiwan.

He doubted "whether we could wisely spend more than \$2,000,000 in a year on the programme."

Asked how long Shanghai could avoid starvation with no more ECA rice being shipped in, Mr.

Moyer said he had been told the Communists were moving out all unemployed and unnecessary personnel as one way of saving food. "It is quite a movement, I have been told," Mr. Moyer said. "I also understand the Communist authorities are ruthlessly gathering food in rural areas, so that food supplies in Shanghai are about as large as they were before."

Those being removed from Shanghai are being sent North, Mr. Moyer said, adding, "wherever North is."

For U.S. Point Four aid, he recommended a continuation of the rural reconstruction programme for aiding irrigation development, developing seed programmes, improving rural health and improving tenant rent conditions.—Associated Press.

Fishing boat with boy aboard sighted

Arbroath, Scotland,

January 14.

The missing 18' metres fishing boat Girl Jean, whose sole occupant is believed to be 15 year old John Guiffie, was sighted today 2 1/2 miles East North East of Arbroath, according to reports received here.

Messages were flashed to ships in the area and Royal Air Force search planes, which had shortly before called off their air search for the missing craft, were informed.

A message received here—so far not officially confirmed—stated that a Norwegian boat had picked up the Girl Jean. A crew from the Norwegian ship was said to have been put on board her and she was taken in tow.—Reuter.

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FRANCO - GERMAN TALKS REACH IMPASSE AT BONN

The Franco-German talks between the French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, and the West German Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, ran into an impasse today before they had properly started.

This was the view of both French and German official observers following M. Schuman's first contacts with German leaders today.

Unless the two statesmen can find a hitherto unsuspected basis of agreement on the Saar when they meet for a two-hour talk without witnesses tomorrow afternoon, the French visit to Germany looks like being limited to its original official description of a mere exchange of views.

At an official luncheon both M. Schuman and Dr. Adenauer stressed the need for patience rather than for decisions.

At an afternoon reception attended by all the members of the German Government, Dr. Adenauer went out of his way to put the German case against French action in the Saar to the French journalists while leaving M. Schuman to talk to other members of the German Government.

He said that a French proposal to arrange for a long-term leasing of the Saar coal-mines would disturb Franco-German relations and would even make more difficult the task of those in Germany who favoured joining the European union.

He argued that nothing should be done in the Saar before the peace treaty is made.

Asked what he proposed in place of the French suggestion, he said, "Do nothing. Have patience. The Saar must not be allowed to get in the way of Franco-German understanding."

Dr. Adenauer's declaration on the eve of his key talk with M. Schuman tomorrow was unfavourably commented upon in circles close to the French Foreign Minister.

German claim

An official spokesman for M. Schuman said later that Dr. Adenauer's statements simply amounted to a claim that the French was German and ignored the fact that an autonomous status was given to the Saar by the common decision of the three Western Allies.

The Bonn Government made no claim to have the Saar included in the Western Federal Republic when the latter was set up.

DEATH TOLL OF TRUCULENT

Sherness, January 14.

The death toll in the submarine Truculent, which sank after a collision in the Thames Estuary on Thursday night, was today reduced from 63 to 64 after it was established that one member of the crew was home on compassionate leave.

The task of salvaging the wreck began today.—Reuter.

Petrol rationing may end soon in Australia

Sydney, January 14.

The political correspondent of the Sydney "Sunday Herald" said today that the new Australian government will end petrol rationing on February 1, barring accidents.

He said the Cabinet will announce the abolition of rationing this week despite strong British opposition.

The correspondent said Cabinet Ministers are convinced that political considerations are playing a major part in the British Government's continued obstruction to Australian moves to lift rationing.

Ministers believe petrol will play a large part in the British general election on February 23 because the Attlee government will resist British demands for the lifting of rationing as strongly as the Chifley government did here.

News that non-Labour Australia had joined Ireland, India and other Sterling countries in abolishing rationing would make Prime Minister Clement Attlee's resistance more difficult.—Associated Press.

SWEDEN RECOGNISES RED REGIME

Stockholm, January 14.

Sweden today recognised the Chinese Communist regime. The announcement said Sweden is prepared to take up diplomatic relations with Peking immediately.—United Press.

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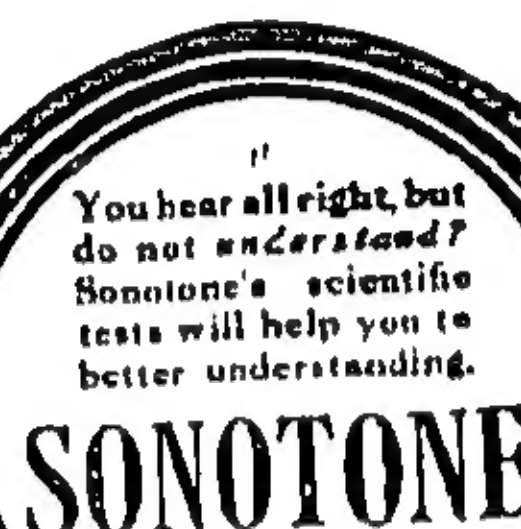
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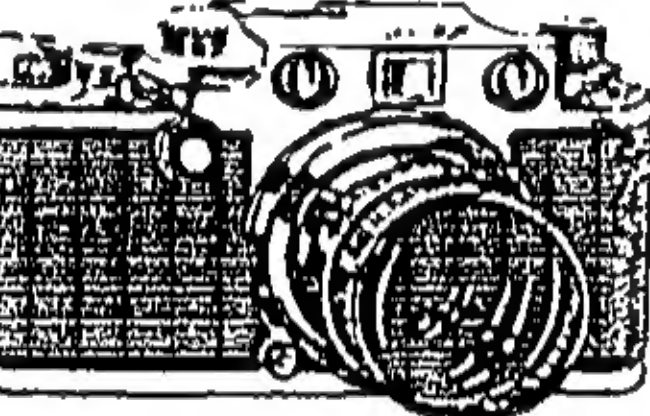
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MacArthur's war on dope traffickers

Tokyo, January 13.

American narcotics agents employed by General Douglas MacArthur are matching their wits against some of the biggest dope traffickers in the Orient in an attempt to break the back of drug addiction in Japan before the Occupation ends.

Hand-picked Japanese investigators are being taught the latest American methods of counteracting dope smuggling and distribution in preparation for a nation-wide offensive to be launched from MacArthur's headquarters in Tokyo.

Drug addiction in Japan increased sharply after the surrender and, according to Japanese investigators, is still making dangerous inroads into national health and public safety.

The Japanese authorities blame drug addiction for increasing lawlessness throughout Japan, including smuggling, black-marketing, armed robbery, violence and vice. They say that drug addiction is the first step towards crime addiction for thousands of socially displaced persons—a result of Japan's defeat in the Pacific War.

For many years, China coast and Taiwan dope runners have worked a profitable trade with Japan as part of a gigantic smuggling enterprise which has provided life-long occupation for thousands of Chinese. Japanese, Korean and Japanese contraband runners.

General MacArthur's advisers quickly banned the cultivation of narcotic plants and enforced laws strictly controlling narcotics distribution. Reuter.

General MacArthur's health advisers quickly banned the cultivation of narcotic plants and enforced laws strictly controlling narcotics distribution. Reuter.

Before the surrender, narcotics has been produced and distributed throughout Japan and to the areas under her control without regard to international obligations to limit and report drug transactions. General Sams stated that the Japanese Government supplied false figures to the League of Nations covering up, for instance, shipments of drugs to Manchuria more than sufficient for total world requirements.

After the surrender, large stocks of narcotics scattered throughout Japanese military depots and military and industrial establishments were available for doctors or pharmacists to purchase and dispose of at will.

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Six skulls, each with a bullet hole in the forehead, are the focus of attention these days in the seemingly endless trial of the man charged with plotting the assassination of the boy King of Siam.

The skulls are of six derelicts who after death became important witnesses in the regicide case. As their bodies lay in a morgue, revolver experts fired separate .45 calibre bullets into their foreheads.

The skull are now brought almost daily into the court room where physicians and other experts testify as to the course a bullet would take when fired point blank at a reclining person's head.

It is a key issue in the trial of the three men who, with two absentees—one the former Regent and former Premier, Nai Pridi—are accused of conspiring the June 9, 1946, murder of King Ananda, a shy, 20-year-old youth who had only returned to his boyhood throne a few months before his strange death.

The defence is attempting to show accident or to hint suicide. The boy king was found dead in bed in his royal palace. A .45 calibre bullet had gone through his head. It was first announced that he died of stomach trouble, but later investigations brought

World record

The trial is already the longest in Thailand's history. It bids well to be the longest in

modern court annals in the world. Recently there were just 10 casual onlookers besides those who had to be present. Twenty-four armed guards protect the rectangular-shaped one-time warehouse which houses the court. The place reminds one of an army barracks, having only the ground floor and no architectural aplomb.

The door opens casually on to a most unimpressive scene of wooden benches for the Press and public. Immediately in front of the wooden entrance door, against the side wall, is an image of Buddha before which all new witnesses are sworn. The Buddha is flanked by two Thai flags. On the floor nearby is a generator used to give power to the public address system when the regular electric power gives out, a not uncommon Bangkok practice.

Ceiling fans spin moodily in typical tropics demeanour. At the head of the box-like courtroom is a raised dais with five high judicial chairs. Only three judges preside. They enter the room, as judges do anywhere, to a ball's request for everyone to rise. They come from behind a curtained door.

Defence and prosecution attorneys enter by the spectators' door. Everything is given a quick "frisking" for hidden weapons. Guards carry sub-machineguns for emergencies. Associated Press.

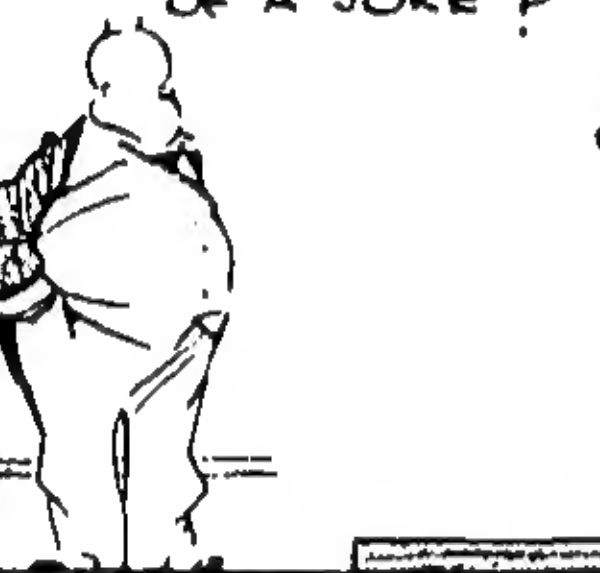
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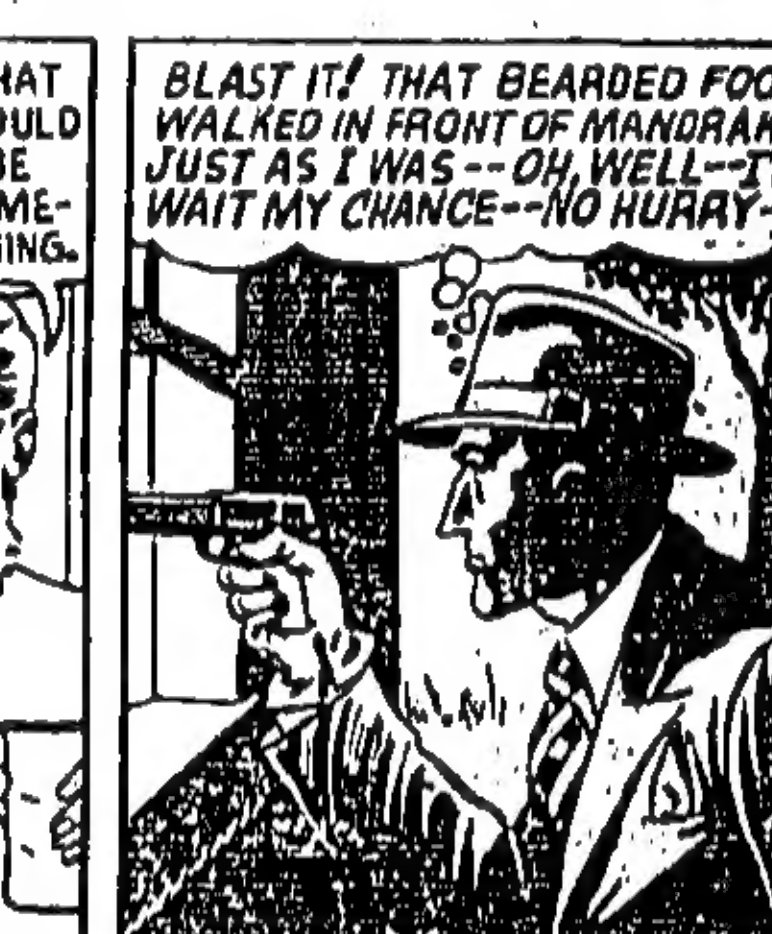


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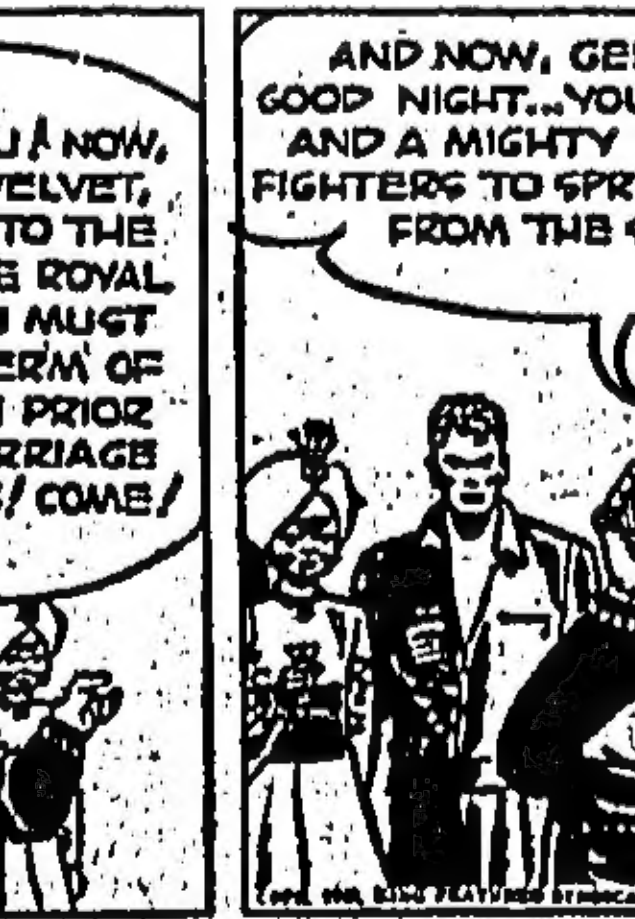
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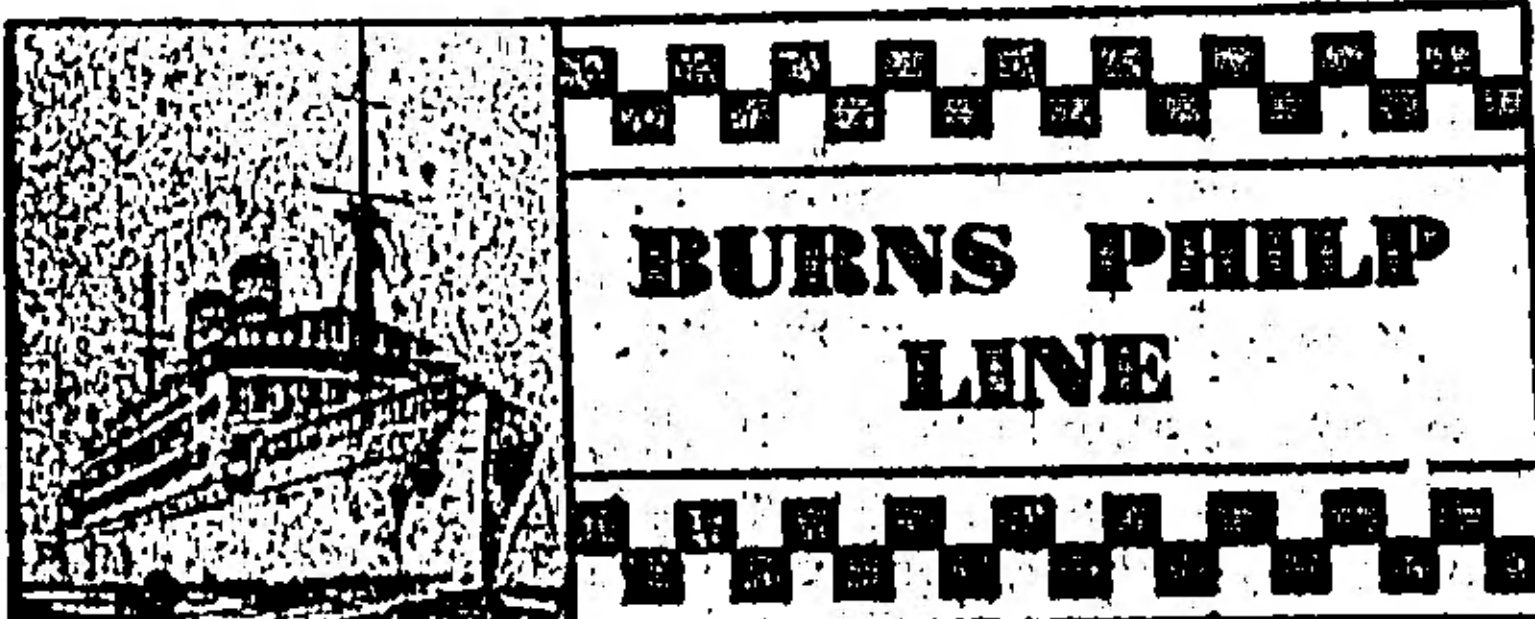
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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

RUSSIA TAKING OVER MANCHURIA FOR ECONOMIC PURPOSES

Washington, January 14.

Mr. Angus Ward, former Consul General at Mukden said today that Russia is taking over Manchuria economically rather than politically.

Mr. Ward arrived here today after nearly a year of detention by the Chinese Communists. He told the press that the Soviet aim was to have Manchuria as a supply source for the Russian Far Eastern military zone. He said he doubted the political attachment of Manchuria to Russia was considered necessary by the Soviet.

New York Stock Exchange

New York, January 14. Last minute selling upset to a degree the relatively steady undertone that prevailed during most of today's brief session.

Final prices were mixed with scattered minus signs replacing earlier plus marks in the strongly played radio and television group. Most packing shares, a late added favorite, held most of the gains up to the close.

Admiral Corporation ended down one-half point after being down most of the time and Magnavox went unchanged, along with Zeith.

Pushing vigorously ahead were Armour, Cudahy, Swift, International and Wilson packing issues. A favourable earnings report by Armour helped.

Turnover hit around 1,100,000 shares for the two-hour session. Brokers felt the market, despite its size this week, was on solid long-range footing.

Dow Jones averages: Stocks 71.29, 20 Industrials 190.02, 15 Rails 53.80, 10 Utilities 40.80.

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Canadian Pacific 14 1/2.

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Colgate 43 1/2.

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Corn Products 68 1/2.

Du Pont 41.

Eastman Kodak 40 1/2.

General Electric 41 1/2.

Motors 60 1/2.

Goodrich 72 1/2.

Goodyear 44 1/2.

Homestead Mining 47.

International Harvester 27 1/2.

Paper 35 1/2.

Tel. & Tel 12 1/2.

Johns Manville 47 1/2.

Kennecott Copper 53 1/2.

Montgomery Ward 55 1/2.

National Distillers 22 1/2.

Lead 35 1/2.

New York Central 12 1/2.

Packard Motors 4 1/2.

Pan American Airways 0 1/2.

Pennsylvania RR 16 1/2.

Radio Corp. 13 1/2.

Remington Rand 12 1/2.

Republic Steel 24.

Reynolds Tobacco 30 1/2.

Schenley 32 1/2.

Sears Roebuck 43 1/2.

Shell Oil 36.

Soco Vacuum 17 1/2.

Southern Pacific 51 1/2.

Standard Brands 22 1/2.

"Oil of Calif. 62 1/2.

"Oil of N. J. 60 1/2.

Studebaker 20 1/2.

Union Carbide 27 1/2.

US Rubber 40 1/2.

"Steel 20 1/2.

Lines 10 1/2.

Westinghouse 30 1/2.

Youngstown Sheet & Tube 74 1/2.

Gen. Pub. Utilities 10 1/2.

Split in ranks of mine workers

Pittsburgh, January 14. The ranks of the United Mine Workers were split today as the striking soft coal miners voted on whether to follow John L. Lewis' suggestion that they return to work on Monday.

In the Uniontown district, the hub of the captive steel company mine area, a Union official said he did not believe any of the 20,000 miners in that area will work on Monday.

John Ozanich, President of the big 2,000-miner local at the Robison mine of the H. C. Frick Coal Company, said the miners feel that they should stay out until they get a contract.

In the UMW district 5 around Pittsburgh, International representative Denis Marshall said all miners are expected to report for work on Monday morning.

Marshall said he had assurances from eight locals that their 3,500 members voted to return to work on Monday. United Press.

Good outlook for rubber industry

F. Akron, January 14. The Chairman of the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company forecasts a continued relatively high level of employment in the rubber industry during 1950.

Mr. Harvey S. Firestone, Jr., said this should hold true in both the manufacturing and distributing ends of the industry.

"In the year ahead there will be 1,000,000 more motor cars on the road which are two or more years old than they were last year. This means more customers for replacement tires," Mr. Firestone said.

Mr. Firestone listed as the outstanding development of the year in synthetic rubber his firm's discovery of an arctic rubber able to keep its resiliency at temperatures as low as 75 degrees below zero.

He also foresaw additional use of foamed rubber, saying it may replace the coil springs in automobiles, furniture and mattresses.—Associated Press.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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SAILINGS	ARRIVALS
"TIKAMPEK" 25th Jan.	
"RUYS" 23rd Feb.	
"STRAAT MALAKKA" 14th Mar.	21st Feb.

SINGAPORE, PENANG and BELAWAN DELI

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"RUYS" 23rd Feb.	11th Mar.

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Transshipment cargo accepted on through B/L to
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"PIONEER DALE" Feb. 6	
"AMERICAN REPORTER" (Fuzao, Yokohama) Feb. 23	

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HONG KONG WATERFRONT

BY OUR HARBOUR REPORTER

In my log

As we see them.

That normal 10-minute crossing by ferry launch can be boring indeed, and it is not uncommon to see many commuters wrapped up in lethargic day-dreaming, mid-stream.

But to the less apathetic that brief chugging over the chilly waters has in store aboard a wealth of food for thought.

To say we can analyse the frowns, smiles and impassive "poker face" expressions would be presumptuous.

However, there have been the "little scenes" which by themselves hide no inner sanctum secrets.

Were all no strangers.

Let's begin outside the pier where they trickle in better sheltered from the island to start the day's work.

You see the same faces more or less every day, some bright looking ones, eager to do their work for the day, some bearing the tell-tale evidence of previous night's escapades and some with that familiar "Korean" look.

(Well leave them to their own private thoughts.)

When they read the news.

Can first observe during one of those "let's wait" lulls, as the newspaper reader. This category of commuters, however, is not as numerous as one might think. Generally, however, some are busy looking to one in our line.

We saw them shuffling in as usual, each absorbed in his own business. We studied their facial reactions and noted the page.

The results created a broad afterglow through the political page (Mao and "Joe" for sure) spasmodic grins when running through the comic strips (Glad again, perhaps) a genuine and "huh" with a shrug (the alphabet up to their old tricks).

Youth in bloom

A playing group of schoolgirls returning home one evening provided us with a most entertaining 10-minute insight into feminine youth and its pranks.

That little cluster of four teenagers was abundant with mischief and good-natured larks.

A pig-tailed not-less-than-17 DGS lassie was the life of the party. We saw her convulsing with laughter as she scurried here and there pulling pig-tails and ruffling pigtails, prodding her friends with a formidable-looking ruler and screaming vociferously when she got it back.

They were all in one voice—as usual, gossiping.

Paging Mr. Belvedere

Perhaps that illustrious child-rearer—no problem character could help toddlers and parents in Hong Kong and incidentally harbour crossings.

We met some of them—a gang of rowdy, "get-on-my-nevvy" schoolboys aboard the Golden Star Hong Kong-bound.

Two freckled boys (somewhere around 12 years old), were desperately quelling another's mischievous antics.

They shouted themselves hoarse. The one who thought he was Captain Blood received a smack on the rear and retreated into the No Smoking Cabin, wailing his weapon (a steel ruler) right under our very nose.

Then the mud-slinging of the others. "Go drop dead," "hey, Dude, I'll skin ya alive" and so on. They climbed on the railings (brave lads) and played hide-and-seek, oblivious to scolding glances from the adults.

Youth, perhaps, has its own right. They crowded near the gangway as the launched berthed alongside, pushing others behind. It was all one flurry of huffs and rulers.

The last we saw of them was when they charged the platform like Apache Braves. (Did we hear somebody say something about being bored stiff?)



Unraveling in clusters in the placid waters of Victoria Harbour today are some 200 ships flying flags of more than 10 nationalities—some seeking refuge under the Red Ensign, some maintaining the lifeblood of the Colony's industry, some to protect British interests this side of China.

Among the motley group are more than 30 which fly the White Ensign, comprising the fleet based in Hong Kong.

Latest figures identifying the various nationalities of the craft in port show there are 38 British; 57 Chinese (Nationalist); 17 Panamanian; seven Norwegian, five Philippine; five Portuguese; five American; four Dutch; three Danish; two Swedish; and one USSR.

The Kuomintang emblem is fast disappearing from the harbour. Very few ships fly the flag as they ride at anchor in the favourite haunts—Yau-matli Bay—where most ships are "laid up."

This flag is being changed for the more elaborate and colourful emblem of the Republic of Panama. Up to date 40 Chinese-registered vessels have applied for the Panamanian flag; so far 37 have been approved. There were also former Norwegian and Australian ships now flying the Panamanian flag—Unita and Baralaba, respectively.

One reason given for this sudden demand for the Panamanian emblem is that Chinese owners are seeking protection under this flag when running the blockade in Communist ports.

Who's who:

"It's all in the game," says veteran skipper

Nine bullets will not deter veteran master mariner Thomas McCabe from continuing a job which he has accomplished with success for the past seven months—running the Nationalist blockade of South China Coast ports.

His 900-ton British freighter Leong Bee encountered Nationalists for the second time since he first took the converted Japanese tanker to Shanghai waters mid-1949.

The Scotsman was in opposition. From what we could judge, there seem to be three ack-ack emplacements in that port," he said.

It was the first time that Mr. McCabe saw the Communists' ack-ack with heavy armaments. He recalled with a grin reports from Shanghai—saying that enemy bombers were harassed with heavy ground fire, which was provided by small weapons like pistols and rifles.

"This time the Communists are serious about the air raids," he added.

Mr. McCabe, who has been at sea for more than 20 years, half of them spent in the Far East, declared that the Communists are jealous of their national rights.

"I don't think there is any possibility of permission being granted to foreign naval craft to enter territorial waters."

The Scotsman has made more than 20 trips to Communist ports since the enforcement of the Nationalist blockade. He has been at the helm of the Leong Bee for about a year.

Mrs. McCabe and daughter arrived here for a three-month holiday recently.

The McCabes have a permanent home in Singapore.



Mr. Thomas McCabe

Leong Bee off Swatow last Wednesday. Five 303 armour piercing bullets slugged into her fresh water tanks and four into her crew's quarters. No one however was wounded.

But to the 40-year-old skipper, who hails from Campbelltown, Scotland, "It's all in the game," and Mr. McCabe expects to take his gallant craft to Swatow again tomorrow.

"The only danger in running the South China blockade is from the air," like our recent experience, the bearded and genial Scotsman asserts. He is of the opinion that as long as the two Chinese political factions continue their current bickering, the blockade is more than what many generally think of it.

Mean business

"It is real. The Nationalist mean business when they have the opportunity. Their planes attack our ships wantonly regardless of their nationality," Mr. McCabe declared.

He feels sure there is no danger of mines in Swatow waters. "So far there has been no indication of mines or patrolling naval craft enforcing the blockade in the Swatow area," he said.

The veteran seaman, who was ferrying army supplies to North Russia from England during the last war, thinks the Communists are strengthening their coastal defences against air raids.

"When Swatow was bombed that day, we could see ack-ack guns firing."

CDR. EHMAN—APL COMMODORE

When 18-year-old Robert J. Ehman, one of four sons of a real estate businessman in Los Angeles, joined the Navy during



CDR. H. J. Ehman

the First World War it was on a youthful impulse to the popular recruiting slogan—"Join the Navy and see the World."

Robert's embarkation on a sea career was a precedence in the Ehman family. His brothers are all "seafarers." But today the family has something to be proud of for the 31-year-old "seadog."

is now Commodore of the American President Line fleet.

Commodore Ehman visited Hong Kong on his flagship, the S.S. President Cleveland, during the week for the first time since his recent promotion.

This is to climax a series of masterpieces about numerous APL vessels. Commodore Ehman, who also holds a commission in the United States Naval Reserve as commander and in the U.S. Maritime Service as captain, joined the APL organisation in 1925 as Fourth Mate of the President Van Buren, predecessor of the modern cargo liner, which arrived here shortly before the President Cleveland.

"Make or bust"

The veteran American skipper began his life afloat in 1915 right from the bottom. He was a sailor but one with determination to "make or bust."

During the First World War, he served in the Atlantic. The Second World War saw him on active transport missions in the Pacific.

Commodore Ehman first visited the Colony in 1925, arriving by the President Van Buren. He made several return visits on other APL vessels.

HK Shipping reaches peak

The third quarter of the year 1949—July to September—saw the height of Hong Kong's shipping activity generally, when most figures covering ship-passenger-cargo movements recorded peak levels.

Statistics gathered from the Harbour Office showed that during the year 7,823 ships arrived here with 2,092,433 tons of cargo and 825,387 passengers.

There were 1,045,002 tons of cargo loaded here; 853,824 people embarking and 105,057 tons of coal and 237,217 drums of fuel filled in when the 7,000 vessels left port in the year.

Ships flying the Red Ensign which entered port totalled 3,111. They discharged 1,130,041 tons of cargo and disembarked a total of 470,607 people.

British shipping reached its peak in the third quarter. Figures showed an increasing tendency from the beginning of this year from 736 to 821 ships in the third quarter. The last period had 787 ships.

According to the statistics, the year's general activity is as follows (in the four quarters):

Total Arrivals: 1,736/ 2,092/ 2,222/ 1,864 ships
150,814/ 226,100/ 220,187/ 171,183 passengers

27,280 (river only)/ 830,933 (all inclusive)/ 880,218/ 941,093 tons of cargo.

Total Departures: 1,732/ 1,961/ 2,215/ 1,782 ships
209,203/ 222,200/ 253,587/ 108,780 passengers

304,444/ 406,300/ 473,216/ 462,852 tons of cargo

25,845/ 20,970/ 20,341/ 20,492 tons of coal

40,215/ 55,413/ 64,010/ 67,070 drums of fuel

British arrivals: 736/ 707/ 821/ 787 ships
110,532/ 110,371/ 124,254/ 109,449 passengers

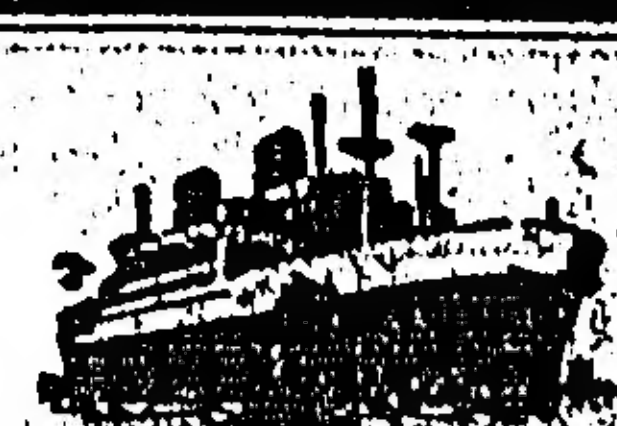
14,803 (river only)/ 286,814 (all inclusive)/ 444,774/ 508,190 tons of cargo.

British departures: 742/ 787/ 810/ 773 ships
135,441/ 120,311/ 123,821/ 101,010 passengers

13,980 (river only)/ 109,425 (all inclusive)/ 100,410/ 204,058 tons of cargo

18,330/ 15,712/ 15,405/ 13,020 tons of coal

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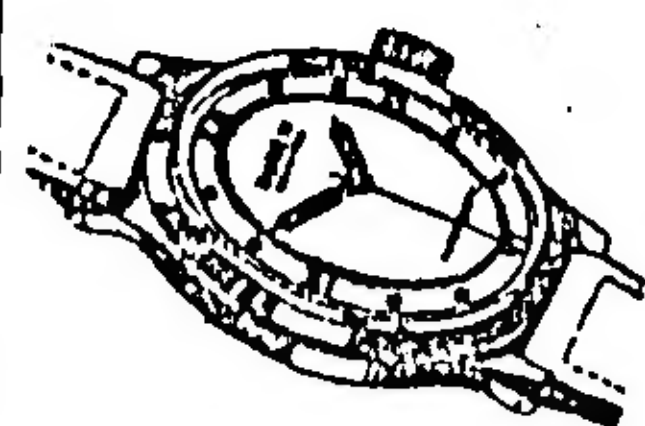
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Sports Pause



Annual race meeting:

P. & O. and Chater Cups main events on today's programme

(By "RAPIER")

Today, the second day of the Annual Race Carnival which is being held under the auspices of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, should attract a big crowd of racing enthusiasts to the Valley.

Another programme of 10 events will again be contested, with the P & O and Chater Cup events providing the highlights of the day.

Race No. 1—Valley Stakes (First Section): Six Furlongs. EMERALD, RINGWOOD, FORWARD VIEW, Outsider: Wonderful Girl.

Race No. 2—Hong Kong Handicap (First Section): One Mile. STRATHNAMARA, KINGFISHER, SHANGRI-LA, Outsider: Gypsy.

Race No. 3—Northern Handicap (First Section): One Mile. From The Two Mile Post. HURRICANE, AAN HING, BRIVISTO, Outsider: Prince Delight.

Race No. 4—Valley Stakes (Second Section): Six Furlongs. STRATHPEPPER, Outsider: Don Pedro.

Race No. 5—P & O Cup: One and a Quarter Mile. The event will be contested by the Australian Ponies, with a prize of 100 guineas and 100 guineas.

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"Rapier" selections for today

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Portuguese Army XI



The Portuguese Army XI from Macao, which lost both unofficial Army Soccer Interport matches played here over the week-end. On Saturday, they lost to the 40th Div. by two clear goals and again went down by the same margin to a Combined British Army XI yesterday. "China Mail" Photo.

Portuguese Army Soccer XI lose again

The Portuguese Army Soccer XI from Macao suffered its second defeat in the unofficial Army Interport yesterday, when it went down to a Combined British Army XI at Sookunpoo by two goals to nil.

In a First Division League game at Happy Valley, Kit Chee, after being held to a goalless draw in the first half, beat a weakened Club XI, which included two players who had taken part in a Second Division match immediately preceding this game, by six goals to one.

Although it was announced in yesterday's Chinese Press that Kit Chee would, in this match, adopt "new tactics" which had been learnt from the Spaniards in Manila, there was nothing in their play which could be regarded as "new tactics".

In a rough and tumble affair at Caroline Hill, Royal Air Force avenged their earlier season defeat at the hands of Kwong Wah by trouncing the Chinese by seven goals to one.

At Boundary Street, Chinese AA scored a somewhat lucky 2-1 win over Eastern, the winning goal being scored almost on time.

British Army 2—Portuguese Army 0

The Portuguese Army football team were unlucky to lose the second unofficial Army Interport soccer match against a Combined British Army at Sookunpoo yesterday by two goals to nil.

The visitors held their own throughout most of the game and were not at all the closing minutes that the British Army were able to get the ball past Rodrigues, the Portuguese custodian.

Rodrigues again gave a sparkling display between the sticks and time after time brought off spectacular saves which would have beaten any other goalie.

He was well supported by his new backs, Carriles and Proenca, although at times their clearances were very weak.

Neves was their outstanding half-back and his hefty clearances and shots at the local Army goal were short of magnificent.

Nuno, the visitors' right-wing was the most dangerous of the forwards. He proved more than a handful for Eastern's left-back. He had bad luck on many occasions, especially in the second half when his shots hit the cross bar or the uprights with Leyland well beaten.

Of the local Army team, Spence at centre-half was particularly impressive with his cool clearances when under pressure. Woolton left his usual full-back position to play in the centre-forward berth and gave a good account of himself, scoring the first goal in the closing minutes with a neat header from a pass by Brown.

Andrews and Hutton combined well and it was after a pretty passing bout between them that Hutton bent Rodrigues to notch the local Army's second goal, a few minutes from time.

The standard of play, though not particularly high, was fast and full of interest. The ball swung from one end of the field to the other right from the opening whistle.

The visitors were faster on their feet but this was counter-balanced by the superior teamwork of the local players.

Miraculous saves
Each goalie was tested in turn although Rodrigues had to do most of the work. His saving of shots

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

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Combined British Portuguese
Army 2 Army 0

FIRST DIVISION
Kit Chee 6 Club 1
Kwong Wah 1 RAF 1
Chinese AA 2 Eastern 1

SECOND DIVISION
Solicitors 1 Club 0
Eastern 0 Talkoo 1
RAF 4 Kit Chee 0

Good saves
The Chinese were at it again and Brown, the Club custodian brought off two really good saves.

After being subjected to an unrelenting attack for about 15 minutes, the Club defenders began to feel the effects and at this stage, Yu Cheuk-yn, noted his second goal from a free kick.

Over the other end, the Club made several weak thrusts. In one of these, Kwong Wah of the Club managed to slip past the defence and, racing down the field, beat Yu Cheuk-yn with a terrific shot to reduce the lead.

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CRICKET

Dockyard RC beat Hong Kong University

The Dockyard Recreation Club scored another victory yesterday, when they beat Hong Kong University in a Second Division League cricket match at King's Park by 88 runs.

The Undergraduates collapsed before the bowling of Plume, Hards and Hennin, all of whom were in deadly form with the ball.

Dockyard, batting first, showed no respect for the HKU bowlers, who were punished severely. Dockyard declared after scoring 120 runs in five.

He took three wickets for 37 runs while Elliott also claimed three, but gave away 40 runs. For Dockyard, Hughes scored 49 runs before being clean bowled by Ho Collins contributed 29, while Harley and Tucker each helped with 17 runs.

Dockyard
G. Collins lbw Ho 20
G. Harley b Elliott 17
G. Hughes b Peter b Hards 42
G. Hards b Elliott 4
G. Hennin lbw b Elliott 7
G. Plume not out 4
G. Tucker not out 17
Extras 5

Total (for five wkts, dec. 120)
Hards, Moore, Withey and Lewis did not bat.
Bowling Analysis:
O M R W
Ho 9 1 37 2
Elliott 9 0 49 4
Peter 1 0 3 0

University
H. T. Heah run out 11
G. Elliott b Plume 0
H. Ho b Hards 5
H. G. Amann b Plume 1
D. Lae b Hennin b Hards 1
A. Low b Plume 1
G. Wynn b Plume 1
N. Peters lbw Hennin 0
J. Peter b Harley b Plume 0
W. D. L. Hilde not out 0
Extras 3

Total: 38
Bowling Analysis:
O M R W
F. Plume 10 2 16 4
Hards 9 2 19 3
Hennin 2 1 0 0
Moore 1 1 0 0

IRC—Divocha's XI
In an all day cricket match at Sookunpoo yesterday the Indian Recreation Club beat Mr. Divocha's XI by 83 runs.

IRC batted first and scored 150. Top scorers were A. R. Kit Minu and G. J. France had the best bowling analysis, with three wickets for 13 runs in six overs, three of which were maidens.

Mr. Divocha's batsmen could only reply with 63 runs against the accurate bowling of A. R. Kit Minu and A. R. Abbas. The former took four wickets for 10 runs while Abbas took three wickets for 33 runs.

being Wilkinson (1), Morrow (1) and England (1).
Kwong Wah's solitary goal was scored by Kit Chee.

CAA 2—Eastern 1
Playing with 10 men throughout their First Division League soccer game against Chinese Athletic at Boundary Street yesterday, Eastern were unable to come away with the odd goal in three.

CAA did most of the attacking but were unable to score. In the course of an Eastern attack, CAA conceded a corner and from the resultant flag kick Mak Chan-wai netted.

The interval came with Eastern still holding to their 1-0 lead. In the second half, CAA attacked with great determination and in the 24th minutes they were awarded a corner. Fung Kwok-mo placed the ball in the goal-mouth and during the ensuing scuffle, CAA obtained the equaliser.

Both sides went out for the lead, but it was not until almost on time that Tam Chung-hing scored the winning goal for CAA.

CAA: Yu Kai-yn, Ko Lai-min, Lui Shui-ping, So Shou-ming, Mow Chung-wing, Leung Ping-shun, Mok Chak-chung, Tam Chung-shing, Woo Chiu-chung, Fong Kwok-yuen and Loung Ping Ping-kan.

Eastern: Yeung Kin-wai, Kong Shing-king, Lam Tuck-po, Wong Chi-wan, Tang Tai-chuen, Wong Yook-chung, Chan Shu-kau, Lau Hing-choi, Lo Wah-sing and Mok Chun-wai.

Newspaper man threatened

The "China Mail" is reliably informed that a member of the Chinese Press has been told by certain parties that unless he desists from writing "unfavourable" articles on soccer topics, corrosive acid will be thrown on him.

IRC
A. R. Kitchee b Kermani b 63
A. T. Abbas b Hillman b 24
A. R. Madar b Kermani b 12
A. R. Inance 2
S. A. Ismail b Inance 2
A. H. Bakar b Inance 0
M. I. Razaek b Ragi b Kermani 4
F. M. A. Arculli lbw Kermani 17
Y. M. A. Arculli lbw Kermani 13
A. R. Minu b Hillman b 7
M. Omar not out 12
Extras 0

Total: 156
Bowling Analysis:
O M R W
Hillman 10 1 39 3
Ragi 6 5 2 24 2
Kermani 11 1 37 2
Minu 3 3 24 1
Divocha 7 3 19 1
J. Inance 0 3 13 3

Mr. Divocha's XI
P. R. Ragi b Minu 24
J. Leroy lbw Abbas 10
K. M. Rasmussen b Ismail b 9
B. I. Divocha b Arculli b 5
A. R. Kermani lbw Abbas 0
M. J. Divocha b Minu 1
A. H. Ismail b Minu 1
J. Inance lbw Arculli 5
R. Inance b Bakar b Kitchee 2
P. Hillman b Razaek 2
A. B. Tala not out 2
Extras 0

Total: 83
Bowling Analysis:
O M R W
Madar 2 1 6 1
Minu 11 5 16 4
Abbas 9 2 33 3
Kitchee 2 7 1 1
Arculli 1 1 1 1
Razaek 1 0 1 1

RAPC win again
In a friendly cricket match played at Sookunpoo yesterday the Royal Air Force Corps defeated RAPC Headquarters by seven wickets.

The RAPC batted first and could only score 66 runs against the deadly bowling of Hennin who was in superb form with the ball and obtained six wickets for 16 runs. Hawley took two wickets for 12.

The RAPC easily scored the equalising runs to win for the 1st time of only three wickets. Bartlett, shone with the bat and scored 51 not out.

KBGC BEAT HKDF IN BOWLS GAME
In a friendly lawn bowls game at Austin Road yesterday, the Kowloon Bowling Green Club beat the Hong Kong Defence Force by 41 shots.

KBGC
T. Wren 20
A. R. Warren 10
E. Greenwood 10
E. A. Atkins 10
(Skip) 20
J. A. Hutton 20
A. J. Hall 10
R. J. Wigginton 10
(Skip) 10
A. Hutton 10
C. F. Wood 10
J. C. Robertson 10
J. F. Brown 10
(Skip) 20
E. G. Denny 10
R. H. Brown 10
H. A. Lammert 10
L. A. Collier 10
(Skip) 34

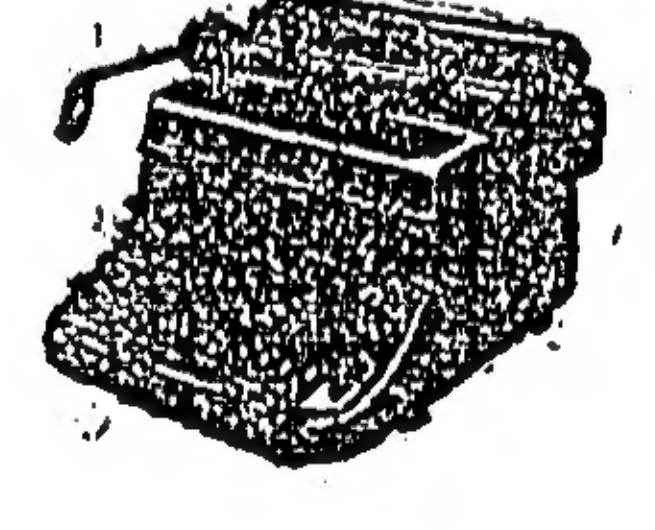
HKDF
Rossetto 13
Calder 13
Tibbitt 13
Fincher 13
Brewer 13
Perkins 13
Butler 13
Bowditch 13
Da Silva 13
Capp 13
Falconer 13
(Skip) 25
Baker 13
Pinta 13
Meyer 13
Sykes 13
(Skip) 34

Total: 103 Total: 102

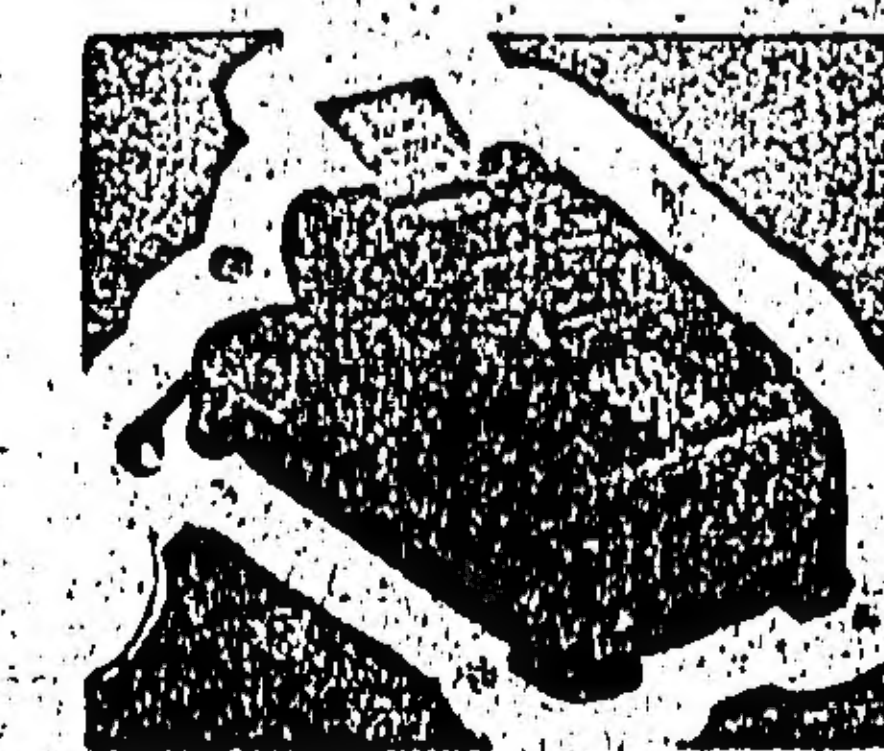
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